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## Superpowers urged to help solve Palestinian problem and Gulf war

# Amir appeals for peace

HH the Amir hopes that the superpower summit will result in accomplishments in the interest of mankind and peace.

In letters addressed yesterday to US President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev on the eve of their summit in Moscow, the Amir said peace is enshrined in the Islamic Holy script, the Quran, had been preached by all preceding divine religions and was embraced by international charters.

"For more peace you meet, and for more peace I write to you," said the Amir.

### Hope

He called on the two superpowers to make Israel listen to the new Palestinian will, find a mechanism for stopping the Iraq-Iran war and help resolve the questions of Lebanon, South Africa and Namibia.

He hoped that successes made by the earlier summit in the fields of nuclear disarmament and settlement of the Afghan issue would be followed by additional accomplishments.

Welcoming previous summit achievements, the Amir, in his capacity as the current chairman of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC), said better relations between the two superpowers results in cutting down

substantial expenses, reduces dangers of confrontation and opens vistas of joint co-operation to include issues of the natural and human environment.

"We know that your meeting will include human rights and regional conflicts," he said. "This is a confirmation of human dignity and peace, and under this title the current Palestinian uprising comes into your deliberations."

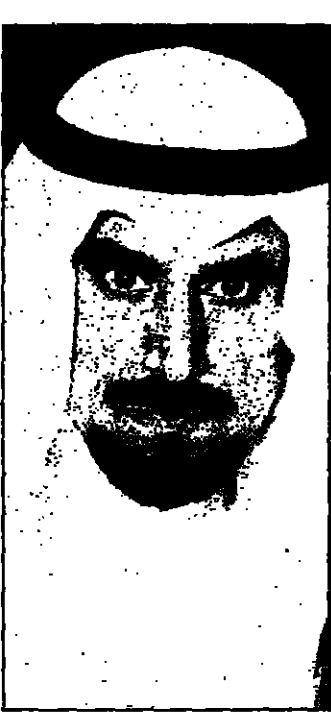
### Reminder

Noting that human rights are the same everywhere and recognised under all beliefs and international conventions, the OIC chairman said the Palestinians after waiting for 40 years in hope of just peace could not find but stones to express their demands and rejection of Israeli repression.

Israel thought that by continuous suppression it could cut off the Palestinians from their roots and wipe out their history from the memories of the new generation and the entire world, he noted.

"Yet the uprising came to remind that right never dies and the determination and sacrifices made during the revolt have created a new situation."

Appreciating the role of the international media in projecting this Palestinian will, he hoped



HH the Amir: achievement

that the Moscow summit "will help the Israeli entity listen to the voice of this new will and disavow its (Israel's) leaders from following a path counter to history's ever changing movement."

In his letters, the OIC chairman expressed the wish that the

superpowers would initiate serious efforts to enforce the UN Security Council resolution 598 asking for a ceasefire in the Iraq-Iran war and establish peace in the Arabian Gulf region.

"Despite its value, no resolution can bear fruit without steps to enforce it or moves to lay the ground for its execution. We trust that your gathering would address this matter."

The Amir noted that the eight-year-old conflict is still raging and taking a heavy toll and causing extensive destruction.

The Amir hailed the Soviet Union's "pioneering step in dealing with the difficult strife in Afghanistan, and determining a timetable for (troop) withdrawal."

"And we hope that your countries would help in bringing peace to Afghanistan."

### Lebanon

He likened the struggles of Afghan and Palestine people, asserting that both of them have historic and genuine rights to their homelands.

"Their deep roots are the best of evidence, and both nations have rejected the status quo, and created a new reality. We have big hopes that you would expand the domain of rights and restore it to its legitimate people, and help stop aggressions."

Turning to Lebanon, the Amir

pointed out that this Arab country had been torn by domestic extremists and external influence.

"Its cities have been turned into battlefields. Murders, subversion and terrorism have become a daily practice. The winds of bigotry have blown the flags of national unity into a distance place," he said.

He added that Lebanon and all the other countries in the Middle East could nowadays find examples of peaceful coexistence between creeds and religions in the two big powers.

### March

The Amir also laid stress on the plight of the peoples of South Africa and Namibia "who are seeking justice on their land, equality in dignity and human rights."

In his concluding notes, the Amir said: "The proven ability to reach resolutions on international issues such as disarmament, and successful regional conflicts, Afghanistan being an example, expanded the fields of hope before the vanquished peoples and developing nations."

"Even the advanced peoples are anxious to see humanity marching towards greater security, peace and co-operation, the fruits of which are beneficial to each and every one."



Residents of Beirut's southern suburbs greet a Syrian soldier. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Second stage of thrust into Beirut slums complete

# Syrian troops fan out

BEIRUT, May 28. (Agencies): More than 4,000 Syrian soldiers peacefully completed the second stage of their thrust into Beirut's southern suburbs today to end militia battles and four years of lawlessness and anarchy.

There were no reports that even a single shot was fired on the second day of the Syrian deployment, which concentrated around strongholds of the Iranian-backed Hezbollah.

"The security plan is going well," said a Syrian Army major, who asked to be identified as Abu Nidal, as he watched the soldiers move in.

Al Abed, Bourj Al Barajneh, Haret Hreik, Hay Selum and other areas devastated by fighting.

Abdul Hadi Hamadi, security chief for Hezbollah and a reputed kidnapper, was among the four-man group of officials.

### Moved

Witnesses noted that the soldiers stayed clear of side streets at Bir Al Abed, Hezbollah's main stronghold where some of up to 18 Western hostages in Lebanon were thought to be held.

Amal sources said some of the foreign captives were moved to an unknown destination on May 8 in cars with Iranian diplomatic licence plates. The report could not be confirmed and both Iran and Hezbollah have denied any link with hostage-taking.

where to set up Syrian positions. About 150 Lebanese policemen moved in with the Syrians, who secured the rest of West Beirut in February 1987.

Syrian officers said more than 4,000 soldiers moved in today but refused to give exact numbers. Security sources said the major part of the Syrian takeover had been completed.

Families came back to find rows of gutted shops and shell-blasted homes in the 41 square km (16 sq miles) of poor dwellings.

### Control

The Syrian soldiers, in squads of ten, stood guard along streets as children played happily with empty cartridge cases.

Bulldozers shoved aside barricades of sand thrown across most streets by the gunmen. Some soldiers piled up sandbags while others fixed some of the thousands of power and telephone lines shredded in the fighting.

A force of 800 Syrian soldiers, supported by 100 policemen, took control of the Chiyah and Ghobeiri districts yesterday.

The Iranian embassy, in a statement issued yesterday, urged militiamen not to violate truce.

"We have stopped the fighting. We will end armed appearances and make sure all military offices close down. Weapons will be confiscated from everyone and we will arrest anyone who violates this."

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## Rally in support of Palestinians staged

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, May 28. (Reuters): About 2,000 Israeli members of the Peace Now movement today staged their first demonstration in Israeli-occupied areas since the Palestinian uprising began last December.

In another development, a curfew was imposed on an occupied West Bank city overnight after the funeral of an Arab youth who died of wounds.

Elsewhere, there were sporadic clashes between Palestinians and Israeli forces.

### Condemn

Speakers at the peaceful rally condemned the Israeli Army for forbidding the group to meet local Palestinians and restricting them to an isolated field outside a military camp near the city of Nablus.

Palestinians, surprised by the demonstrators' convoy, waved and gave the V-for-victory signal.

The demonstrators later returned to Israel in what organisers said was an illustration of the possibility of Israeli retreat from the occupied territories.

The Army restrictions on the demonstrators' movements were applied for fear of provoking either Palestinians or Jewish settlers into a clash. The high court rejected a Peace Now appeal against the curbs.

### Restrict

The Army restricted residents of the West Bank city of Kalkilya to their homes after the burial of 16-year-old Iyad Abdallah Ibrahim Zeid, who was shot by a border policeman three months ago, Israel Radio said.

An Army spokesman said the curfew was intended to prevent demonstrations.

At least 189 people have been killed since the revolt began in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, Palestinian sources said.

Protests erupted in Rafah, Khan Yunis, Jabalya refugee camp and Gaza City and a dozen Arabs were beaten or hit by rubber bullets.

Troops surrounded the Al Imam Shaif Mosque in Gaza for two hours after worshippers threw stones at a patrol, the sources said.

### US defence bill

WASHINGTON, May 28. (Reuters): The Senate yesterday approved a \$299.5 billion defence bill after passage had been delayed since May 16 by a dispute over an amendment providing the death penalty for drug-related killings.

## Moscow approves INF treaty

# Reagan ready to work with Soviets to promote ties

HELSINKI, May 28. (Agencies): President Reagan met his top advisers today to prepare for the Moscow summit and said he was ready to work with the Soviet Union to promote respect for human rights and better East-West ties.

"When we encourage Soviet reforms, it is with the knowledge that democracy not only guarantees human rights, but also helps prevent war and, in truth, is a form of arms control," Reagan said in a radio talk.

In his weekly taped broadcast for a US audience, the President said much had been achieved since he and Kremlin chief Mikhail Gorbachev first met in Geneva three years ago.

### Better

He said the Soviet military withdrawal from Afghanistan, Gorbachev's programme of "glasnost" or openness, the release of some Soviet political prisoners and other liberalising moves had bolstered relations between Washington and Moscow and offered hope for a brighter future.

"And that's why we're ready to work with the Soviets. To praise and criticise, and work for greater contact, and for change," Reagan said. "Because that is the path to lasting peace, greater freedom and a safer world."

Reagan, who begins his first visit to the Soviet Union and his fourth meeting with Gorbachev tomorrow, held two summit-level meetings with his top advisers.

"He's looking forward to the visit to Moscow," Colin Powell, the President's National Security



Reagan (left) meets with advisers for pre-summit briefing. (Reuters wirephoto)

Adviser, told reporters.

The Soviet Union's top parliamentary body today ratified the INF missile treaty with the US, clearing the way for a showpiece ceremony at the summit.

Ratification came at a special session of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet which was held within hours of news from Washington that the Senate had approved the treaty after days of agonising debate.

The treaty to ban intermediate-range nuclear missiles — the first full-scale disarmament accord between the superpowers — was signed by Gorbachev and Reagan at their Washington summit last December.

Its ratification by both sides means an exchange of instruments can now become the ceremonial centrepiece of the five-day summit.

Despite the positive note, prospects for progress at the Moscow summit on nuclear arms control dimmed today.

Two senior US officials told reporters that two arms control measures may not be completed during Reagan's talks with Gorbachev.

Powell said the agreements on monitoring underground nuclear test explosions were not likely to be ready for Reagan and Gorbachev to approve.

In another glitch, US Assistant Secretary of State Rozanne Ridgway said the Soviets had turned down a US proposal for prenotification of missile test launches.

## Moroccan premier visits Cairo

CAIRO, May 28. (Reuters): Moroccan Prime Minister, Azeddine Laraki, arrived in Egypt today at the head of the first high-level mission to visit Cairo since the two countries restored ties last year.

Egyptian officials said Laraki's talks would focus on boosting trade ties and promoting better relations in industry, energy, culture and tourism after the nine-year break.

Egyptian Prime Minister, Atef Sedki, greeting Laraki at Cairo airport, described his four-day visit as "historic."

Laraki told reporters his talks would "reflect the spirit of brotherhood and friendship existing between the two nations."

## 2 shifts in ministries may be introduced

KUWAIT'S Minister of Planning, Dr Abdul Rahman Al Awadi, has said that the system of working by hours is under consideration by the Civil Service Council (CSC) and there is a possibility of adopting a system of two working shifts in the ministries.

He, however, assured that there is no plan to cut down the salaries of employees.

In an interview with a local daily, Awadi stressed that the CSC is at present studying the system of working by hours which aims at providing further work opportunities and more production.

Regarding two shifts, Awadi

said that the morning and evening shifts aim at facilitating public services.

About making some workers redundant, Awadi said there is no such plan for this year or in future. The government is now trying to reorganise the manpower within the framework of future plans.

On the government's efforts to encourage the private sector to participate in the commercial field and its role in pushing forward the economy, the minister said Kuwait is a commercial country and has a free economy. "There are no obstacles and Kuwait welcomes all those who participate in achieving better production."

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Minimum temperature recorded: Kuwait: 25°C 77°F

Ahmad: 28°C 82°F

Falaka: 28°C 82°F

Maximum temperature expected: Kuwait: 41°C 106°F

Ahmad: 36°C 97°F

Falaka: 39°C 102°F

Maximum humidity recorded: Kuwait: 23 per cent

Ahmad: 24 per cent

Falaka: 43 per cent

Maximum humidity expected: Kuwait: 32 per cent

Ahmad: 30 per cent

Falaka: 45 per cent

## War will be settled on battlefield: Khomeini

# US Navy adds powerful cruiser to its Gulf force

ABOARD USS VINCENNES in the Strait of Hormuz, May 28. (Agencies): The United States Navy has added one of its billion-dollar Aegis cruisers, the fleet's most powerful and sophisticated warships, to its Gulf-based squadron.

Captain Will Rogers III, skipper of the Vincennes, said that despite its multi-purpose capabilities his ship did not represent an escalation of the US armed presence in the war-torn waterway, where tensions have run high since US and Iranian naval forces engaged in serious clashes on April 18.

Rogers, speaking to members of the Pentagon news media pool aboard the Vincennes, said the ship would replace the guided missile cruiser Wainwright and take over the anti-aircraft surveillance role performed since February by that craft.

The Wainwright is one of five vessels leaving the Gulf in the next few days as part of a rotation announced earlier by the Pentagon.

### Fate

Meanwhile, Iran's spiritual leader Ayatollah Khomeini declared today that the fate of the war against Iraq will be decided on the battlefield and not the negotiating table, despite Iran's admission that it has suffered military defeat in recent weeks.

"The combatants must continue their fight by depending on their faith in God and their weapons," he said in a statement read to the opening session of Iran's new Majlis, or parliament, by his son Ahmed, increasingly emerging as a key political figure.

"Victory will be ours and this is what we believe wholeheartedly," Khomeini said, indicating Iran plans to retaliate against its Gulf war foe.

Tehran Radio earlier reported

that Iranian President Ali Khamenei admitted during a Tehran prayer session yesterday that the Iraqis had defeated Iran's Army in recent weeks.

He gave no details. But he was clearly referring to Iraq's recapture of the Faw peninsula in southern Iraq on April 18 and an Iranian bridgehead east of the port city of Basra earlier this week.

Khomeini's unexpectedly blunt admission underlined the scale of the setbacks for Iran in the 7-1/2-year-old war.

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## INTERNATIONAL

## Fourth official to quit Justice Department

## Top aide to Meese resigns

WASHINGTON, May 28, (Reuters): Another top aide to beleaguered Attorney-General Edwin Meese has announced his resignation just before the release of a report that is expected to sharply criticise Meese's ethical conduct.

Assistant Attorney-General Charles Cooper said yesterday he would be resigning in the latest departure from the troubled Justice Department, which has been thrown into turmoil by Meese's legal problems.

Cooper was the fourth high-ranking official of the department to leave in the last two months.

Cooper said in his resignation letter that his departure was unrelated to the controversy surrounding Meese but depart-

ment officials said he had doubts about remaining after other top aides quit to protest Meese's continued leadership.

## Involved

Cooper, who provided legal advice to Meese, played a key role in the initial investigation that uncovered the Iran-Contra scandal and was involved in the failed talks aimed at removing Panamanian strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega from power.

His resignation added to the exodus just days before special prosecutor James McKay completed a report expected to cite numerous instances of questionable ethical behaviour by Meese.

For the past year, McKay has conducted an investigation into Meese's financial affairs, his ties

to the scandal-ridden Wedtech Corp defence firm and his role in a \$1 billion Iraqi oil pipeline deal.

Cooper's resignation created yet another vacancy for Meese to fill.

Deputy Attorney-General Arnold Burns and Criminal Division chief William Weld quit two months ago in a protest against Meese. Then Terry Eastland, a close friend of Cooper, disclosed he had been fired as Meese's chief spokesman because he had failed to defend the attorney general aggressively enough.

"I am acutely aware, of course, that this is a time of controversy for you and for the department, and thus is not the most opportune moment for members of the department's leadership to be departing," Cooper said.

## Two Britons held for espionage

ROME, May 28, (UPI): Italian anti-terrorist police, acting at the request of US authorities, have arrested two Britons on charges of sending photocopies of blueprints of military equipment to countries in Eastern Europe and to Libya, police announced today.

Police identified the Britons as Clifford Shepherd Chadwick, 52, and Brian Moier Butcher, 55. They were arrested on separate days last week at Rome's Leonardo da Vinci Airport as they arrived from England, police

said.

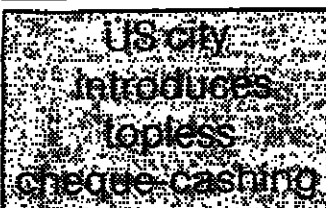
In addition to the espionage charges, police said Chadwick is suspected of being involved in large scale trafficking in arms to Libya and in terrorist attacks carried out in Italy in recent years against dissident Libyan exiles.

Deputy state attorney Rosario Priore, one of Rome's top anti-terrorist prosecutors, said Butcher also is being investigated to determine whether he was involved in terrorist actions, or had links with foreign terrorists. Italian investigators said the

arrests were carried out at the request of US authorities who started investigating the activities of Chadwick and Butcher several months ago.

They said American authorities are asking Italy to extradite the two Britons on charges of carrying out technological espionage damaging to the United States.

The Rome investigators said Chadwick and Butcher, are accused of photocopying blueprints of missiles and other equipment.



## US city introduces topless cheque-cashing

FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida, May 28 (UPI): The city that pioneered America's first topless shop now presents bare-breasted cheque-cashing.

"It's a new idea because of all the cheque-cashing stores opening up," said Arnold Van, who runs the store.

"Since we opened, two others opened up within a quarter-mile of here, so I thought we needed to come up with a new concept," he said. "I thought we had to give people a new, extra service at no extra charge."

Four topless hostesses began working on two shifts Monday and Van said he believes his operation was a first in the nation.

The hostesses, who work two at a time, don't actually cash cheques. They stand behind a counter in a closed-off part of the store selling cigarettes, candy and other items.

"I don't feel self-conscious at all," said Randi, 29, who said she used to work as a waitress. The other hostess on duty at the time, who identified herself only as Smokie, 33, said she has been a topless dancer and worked for a Strip-O-Gram company.

## Allegations over links with S. Africa

## Mauritius walks out of African summit

ADDIS ABABA, May 28, (Reuters): Mauritius, protesting against criticism of its links with South Africa, today stormed out of the closing session of an African summit which called for intensified armed struggle against apartheid and Pretoria's rule in Namibia.

"We came here to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), not to be insulted... I have no alternative but to walk out of this closing session," Foreign Minister Sateen Boolell told the few heads of state left in the Ethiopian capital.

A report by the OAU liberation committee cited Mauritius as one of three OAU member states collaborating with the white-led Pretoria government through trade and other ties. The others were the Seychelles and Equatorial Guinea.

Boolell said Mauritius had asked for the reference to be deleted and was making the protest because the conference had ignored its request. The accusation was "self-righteous and hypocritical."

OAU Secretary-General Ide Oummarou described the walkout as deplorable but gave no explanation why the report did not name other African states which have failed to cut ties with South Africa in protest at its apartheid policies.

Mauritius allows South African Airways to land at Plaisance Airport on their way to and from the Far East, South African companies have invested in hotels in the Indian Ocean state and, like most countries in southern Africa, Mauritius buys large quantities of South African goods.

The new OAU Chairman, President Moussa Traore of Mali, told a post-summit news conference that the liberation committee — the African body coordinating support for nationalist guerrillas in Southern Africa — had not condemned the three states but had merely expressed concern at their South African links.

Realities  
"If we close our eyes to such realities and truths, we would be colluding with apartheid," he added.

Resolutions passed by the 30 heads of state and government who attended the three-day meeting call for comprehensive and mandatory sanctions

against South Africa and ask member states to support the three OAU-recognised liberation movements — the African National Congress and the Pan-Africanist Congress in South Africa and Namibia's Southwest Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO).

They deplored British and American use of the veto in the United Nations Security Council to thwart attempts to make sanctions against South Africa legally binding.

The conference invited member states to open talks with the frontline countries — the black states confronting Pretoria — on security assistance.

The resolution on Namibia condemned what it called "the policy of systematic extermination of newborn males which the racist Pretoria regime is applying."

Evidence  
A Swapo delegate in Addis Ababa told reporters the guerrilla organisation had no solid evidence that South Africa was carrying out this measure in Namibia, the former German colony which Pretoria administers in defiance of UN resolutions for its independence.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

## French journalist

NEW DELHI, May 28, (Reuters): French journalist Alain Guillo said the Afghan government released him from jail today partly because of the Reagan-Gorbachev summit in Moscow.

Guillo, 45, was pardoned by Afghan President Najibullah after a personal appeal by humanitarian grounds from French President Francois Mitterrand which was read out on Afghan television last night.

## Mother Teresa

GALLUP, New Mexico, May 28, (AP): Mother Teresa visited a feeding place for the homeless and thanked worshippers at a service for their help in supporting her missionary sisters of charity homes.

"I want to thank you for sharing the joy of love with our sisters and for doing something beautiful for God," she said yesterday. "We'll be judged by God by how we help our fellow man."

## Tamils blocked

HAMBURG, West Germany, May 28, (UPI): West German police early today blocked an attempt of 299 Tamil refugees to smuggle themselves into Canada by ship, a police spokesman said.

The spokesman said the Tamils were discovered shortly after midnight in an abandoned hotel in a Hamburg suburb.

They told police they had planned to leave today for Canada on the Lupa, a 399-ton German freighter and enter Canada illegally.

## Kurds rob

DOGUBEYAZIT, Turkey, May 28, (Reuters): Kurdish guerrillas ambushed a group of European climbers on Mount Ararat and robbed them at a height of 3,500 metres (11,000 feet), police reported today.

They said troops were hunting the guerrillas after Thursday's hold-up, the first such robbery since 1985 on the slopes of the 5,123-metre (16,800-foot) mountain, reputed resting place of Noah's Ark.

## Dhaka fire

DHAKA, May 28, (AP): At least 80 people were injured and 17,000 lost their homes when a fire raged through a refugee camp on the outskirts of Dhaka today, police and fire officials said.

Police officers who insisted on anonymity, said the blaze wiped out most of the shanties in the camp at Mirpour to the north of the city.

Officials said the cause of the fire was believed to be an electrical short-circuit.

## Social Democrats

WEST BERLIN, May 28, (Reuters): West Germany's Social Democrats (SPD) celebrated their 125th anniversary today with an emotional call from former chancellor and party leader Willy Brandt for more vitality and initiative.

Brandt, addressing a rally in the former Reichstag building looking over the Berlin Wall, said the party's main priority was to help ensure security in Europe and prevent war.

## Public apology

LONDON, May 28, (Kunat): The headmaster of a school in England has made a public apology to leaders of the Muslim community for describing the Islamic religion as "misguided" it was reported here today.

Muslim parents threatened to withdraw their children from Golden Hillock School in Birmingham, the English Midlands, in protest after Mary Stuart sent home two Muslim pupils who were praying in the school's car park.

## Turkish emergency

ANKARA, May 28, (AP): A parliamentary decision extending emergency rule in Turkey's nine provinces, including the country's largest city Istanbul, for four more months as of July 19 went into force today.

The other provinces are in the southeast, where government troops and Kurdish guerrillas seeking autonomy have been fighting since 1984.

These provinces are Bingol, Elazig, Hakkari, Mardin, Siirt, Tunceli, Van and Diyarbakir.

## Rocket attack

ISLAMABAD, May 28, (AP): A rocket attack by anti-communist guerrillas killed three women and one child in the Afghan capital, state-owned Radio Kabul reported today.

Ten rockets and projectiles hit the western part of Kabul yesterday afternoon, said the Dari-language newscast monitored in Islamabad.

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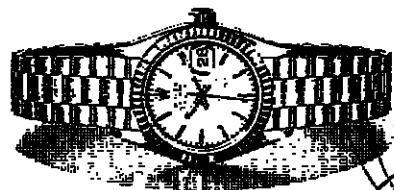
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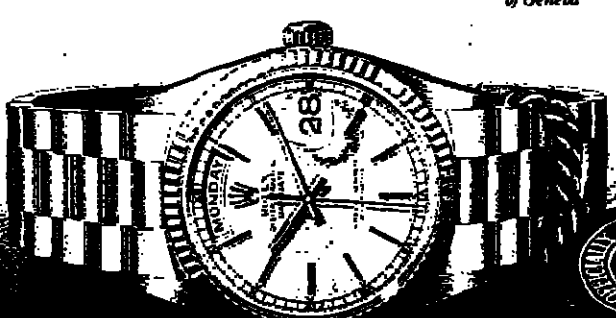
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## Former beauty queen charged with shop-lifting

WILLIAMSPORT, May 28, (AP): Bess Myerson, former Miss America and New York cultural affairs commissioner, was arrested Friday and charged with trying to shop-lift \$46 in merchandise from a department store.

Miss Myerson, appeared before district Justice John McDermott and was released on \$150 cash bail.

The 63-year-old New York City resident, already facing federal fraud and bribery-related charges, contested south Williamsport police allegations that she tried to leave Hill Department Store with six bottles of nail polish, five pairs of earrings, shoes and flashlight batteries in her purse and shopping bag.

"I was leaving the store to lock my car and come back and pay for the merchandise," she told the magistrate.

She said she would pay her fine and costs "under protest" through the mail, if court documents affirm her contention that this is her first such offence. The maximum penalty, according to the court, would be a \$300 fine.

"If true, it's extraordinarily sad that this could have occurred," New York City Mayor, Edward Koch, said of the charge. Miss Myerson was his campaign manager in 1977, when Koch was first elected mayor.

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## US pledges \$30m aid to Philippines

MANILA, May 28. (Reuters): Defence Secretary, Fidel Ramos, said today the United States had pledged about \$30 million of military aid to the Philippines to help fight communist insurgents.

He said the assistance included military equipment and support for the manufacture of radios, uniforms and combat boots.

Ramos talked to reporters on his return from a 16-day visit to the United States which included talks with American officials on security relations between the two countries.

He said the assistance was not intended to influence the long-running talks between US and Philippine officials on the future of American bases in the country.

"There was no conscious pressure that I detected in regard to the ongoing military bases review. I think it is well understood over there that the talks are taking place at another level," he said.

The assistance was apart from the \$180 million the Philippines receives yearly as compensation under an agreement which allows the operation of US military bases in the country.

### Appeal

Meanwhile, President Corason Aquino has asked Pakistan to use its "moderating influence" to help end a 15-year Muslim rebellion in the southern Philippines.

In a reception for Pakistani Prime Minister, Mohammed Khan Junejo, at the presidential palace last night, Aquino said Pakistan could persuade other Muslim states not to interfere in Philippine domestic problems.

"We trust that your government may use the moderating influence of your government at the Organisation of Islamic Conference meetings to project our country's unrelenting aspiration for national unity," Aquino said.

Pakistan is a member of the influential 46-member Jeddah-based organisation, in which the rebel Moro National Liberation Front has lobbied for support.

"Our government appreciates the position of Pakistan and the Organisation of Islamic Conference in treating the question of Muslims in southern Philippines as a domestic problem," Aquino said.

Junejo arrived in Manila yesterday for a three-day visit.

## Soviet and Afghan foreign ministers rap Islamabad

# Pakistan asked to stop rebel aid

MOSCOW, May 28. (AP): The Soviet and Afghan foreign ministers have criticised Pakistan for supporting US-backed guerrillas, the official Tass news agency reported.

The report said Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his Afghan counterpart, Abdul Wakil, met in Moscow to review arrangements for the Soviet troop withdrawal which began on May 15.

"Pakistan virtually does not take effective measures for the elimination from its territory of the infrastructure of interference in Afghanistan's internal affairs," Tass quoted the envoys as stating.

### Soviet aid

At a news conference earlier, Yevgeny Primakov, head of the Soviet Institute of the World Economy and International Relations, accused the United States of violating the Geneva agreements by continuing to ship arms to Afghanistan's anti-communist mujahedeen guerrillas.

"They are arming, quite openly, those who want to go on in their civil war," said Primakov.

In Washington, the State

Department noted that the Soviets were handing over military supplies to the Kabul government.

"The turnover of large amounts of military supplies constitutes a continuation of military aid. The Soviets should take their military equipment out with them. We will watch Soviet actions carefully in this area and will follow symmetry in making our decisions."

### Freedom

The United States said it will arm its anti-Soviet Afghan rebel allies as long as the Soviets arm Afghan troops.

The criticisms of the US and Pakistan came two days before the start of the summit meeting between President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. Afghanistan is on their agenda.

Tass also reported that Soviet troops had signed a petition to Pakistani President Zia-ul-Haq asking him to use his influence to stop the torture of Soviet prisoners by Afghan guerrillas. The dispatch said Afghan rebels were holding some of the Soviet troops on bases in Pakistan.

Meanwhile, the French

photojournalist Alain Guillo, captured 14 months ago and jailed after entering Afghanistan with Muslim guerrillas, was freed today, a senior French official said.

The release came after Gilbert Perol, secretary-general of the French Foreign Ministry, presented a letter from President Francois Mitterrand to Afghan leader Najib.

The French official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said no conditions were attached to the release of the 45-year-old journalist.

"There was no agreement, no special considerations," he said. He said no money was paid by the French government for Guillo's release.

### Clemency

The official said Guillo, a freelance journalist, was in good spirits and good health.

Guillo was turned over to French officials at the Aryana Hotel in central Kabul and taken to the French Embassy compound. He was to leave Kabul later with Perol on a flight to New Delhi and then continue to Paris.

Najib announced last night that he had granted clemency to

Guillo, who was captured in March 1987 after entering the country from Pakistan with guerrillas who have been fighting Soviet and Afghan government troops.

Guillo was convicted on Jan 4 on charges of "espionage and subversive activities" and sentenced to 10 years in prison. He denied the charges.

In Paris, a spokesman for the French Foreign Ministry, welcomed Guillo's release.

"This liberation brings to a happy conclusion contacts taken with Afghan authorities to obtain the pardon of the French journalist," the spokesman said.

There was no immediate word on the fate of another imprisoned Western journalist, Fausto Biloslavo, an Italian who worked for the small Albatross news agency.

Biloslavo was captured last July after entering Afghanistan from Pakistan with the guerrillas. He was convicted in March of espionage and sentenced to seven years in prison.

Western diplomatic sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they also expected Biloslavo's freedom soon.



Farouk Kaddoumi (right) is welcomed by President Suharto at the start of talks in Jakarta. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Palestinian uprising isolating Israel

JAKARTA, May 28. (Reuters): The Palestinian uprising in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip has helped isolate Israel morally and put it on the diplomatic offensive, a Palestinian leader said today.

Speaking to reporters after meeting Indonesian President Suharto, Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the political department of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), said Israel would not be able to stop the revolt.

"They cannot stop the uprising, and victory will be achieved," he declared.

Kaddoumi, who had talks on Friday with Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas, said strong arm tactics by Israel in the occupied territories had made it look like South Africa in the eyes of the world.

"This has widened the differences among the different political factions inside Israel and demoralised Israel's military forces," he stated.

Israel had become isolated within the international community, while the uprising was

winning sympathy for the Palestinians, he said.

More than 180 people have died since the revolt began in the West Bank and Gaza Strip in December.

Indonesia, the world's largest Muslim country with a population of 175 million, has consistently supported the PLO and does not have diplomatic relations with Israel.

Alatas has said Indonesia agreed in principle that the PLO should open an office in Jakarta, but there were no immediate plans for one to be established.

Meanwhile the PLO has again charged that the United States was involved in the killing of its military commander Abu Jihad last month.

Salah Khalaf, number two in the PLO's main group Fatah, said a sea-borne force, including US ships, was ready to intervene if the attack on Khalil Al Wazir, Abu Jihad, had failed in Tunis on April 16.

There were fleets and aircraft carriers belonging to the US and other states who helped the Israelis, he said.

## Three more Sri Lankan politicians killed

COLOMBO, May 28. (AP): An opposition party candidate and two of his supporters were shot to death today by suspected Sinhalese nationalists in central Sri Lanka, a senior police officer said.

S.B. Yalgama, 58, a member of the United Socialist Alliance, and two campaign workers were meeting at the politician's residence when three gunmen broke into the home and opened fire, said the officer, who briefed reporters on condition of anonymity.

Yalgama lived in the town of Nattala, 104 kilometres (65 miles) northeast of Colombo.

Police blamed the killing on the People's Liberation Front, an extremist group of nationalist Sinhalese that has vowed to block provincial elections scheduled for June 9. Yalgama was a candidate for the polling.

### Election

The elections are the second to be held under the Indian-brokered peace accord signed last July 29 to try to end the nearly five-year Tamil rebel insurgency in northern and eastern Sri Lanka.

The front has vowed to kill anyone supporting the pact, claiming it makes too many concessions to the minority Tamils.

Tamils, who are mostly Hindus, make up 18 per cent of Sri Lanka's 16 million population. They claim they are discriminated against by the Sinhalese Buddhists, who make up about 75 per cent. The rest are Christian descendants of Western colonialists or Muslim descendants of early Arab traders.

## Algerians jailed

BRUSSELS, May 28. (Reuters): Three Algerians spent five months in a Belgian jail after police mistook pepper found in their luggage for heroin, Belgian radio said.

It said they were jailed in January after laboratory experts wrongly identified a white powder.

The blunder was discovered during new tests this week.

Interviewed on the radio, one of the three said the powder was a home remedy consisting of pepper and mixed spices.

## Turkish soldier crosses Green Line

# Cypriot guard shot to death

NICOSIA, May 28. (AP): Greek Cypriot authorities said a Turkish soldier today crossed the Green Line that divides this island, tried to rape a Greek Cypriot woman, then shot to death a national guardsman who came to the rescue.

A second guardsman was shot and wounded, the Greek Cypriot-staffed National Guard said in a statement.

Hours later the intruder was holed up inside the woman's house in the village of Athienou near the Green Line southeast of Nicosia, surrounded by guardsmen and United Nations peacekeeping troops.

### Injured

It was the second fatal clash near the Green Line in a week.

Initial police reports earlier had said the woman was shot and wounded and had spoken of two intruders, identifying them as

### Turkish Cypriots

But the National Guard said the intruder was a lone "Turkish soldier," one of about 30,000 stationed on the island, and that he "tried to rape" the woman.

The dead guardsman was identified as Charalambos Charalambos, about 18 or 19 years old. The injured guardsman, Ioannis Kaleshis, was taken to Lamaca general hospital and listed in serious condition, the National Guard said.

There was no immediate comment from UN or Turkish Cypriot officials on the incident.

On May 21, UN troops from the Austrian contingent here shot to death a Turkish Cypriot, Hussein Kafa. The UN said Kafa had opened fire and wounded a peacekeeper near the mixed Greek-Turkish village of Pyla.

Later that day, a second Austrian peacekeeper was shot at and wounded by two of Kafa's

relatives while on guard at an Austrian post, authorities said.

The two relatives were later taken into custody in connection with the incident.

Pyla is the only village where Turkish Cypriots and Greek Cypriots still live together despite the 14-year-old partition of the island.

After the incident, Maj. Gen. Gunther Greindl, the Austrian commander of UN peacekeepers in Cyprus, rejected Turkish Cypriot complaints against him.

"I consider the charges made against the United Nations force in Cyprus generally, and me personally, are totally unjustified," he said in a statement.

Rauf Denkash, President of the Northern Turkish Cypriot breakaway state, had charged that Greindl ordered Austrian troops to harass Kafa, and held him responsible for the fatal shooting.

## Iran executes 'terrorists'

MANAMA, May 28. (UPI): Iran this week executed three "terrorists" it said were linked to illegal communist organisations. Iran's official Islamic Republic news agency said last night.

The agency said an Islamic revolution tribunal sentenced the three men to death and they were executed in Evin prison on Wednesday afternoon.

It named them as "Anushirvan Lotfi," member of the central committee of the so-called Fedaeen Khalq, Hajat Mohammad Pour, chairman of the executive committee of the outlawed Union of Iranian Communists and Hojatoolah Ma'boudi, an activist in the terrorist Munafiqeen Khalq organisation.

The agency, monitored in Bahrain, said the main charges against the three men were that they attempted to overthrow the Islamic Republic.

## Gandhi's grandson preaches self-help

JACKSON, May 28. (AP): Arun Gandhi says civil rights laws have failed to eliminate racism in the social fabric of the United States' southern region and that other weapons against discrimination are needed.

The one he favours is a soft voice, like the one his grandfather, Mohandas Gandhi, used three generations ago to help free India from British rule.

Arun, a 53-year-old freelance journalist, is living in this southern state to conduct research for a book and, he hopes, rejuvenate what he calls a stalled US civil rights movement.

He has a long list of speaking engagements, during which he promotes the self-help programmes he once employed to aid India's poor. Arun says he never accuses — only talks and offers suggestions.

"We have enough hatred in this world, and we don't want to add to it," he says. So far, the quiet presentation by Gandhi and his wife, Sunanda Gandhi, have caught the ear of dozens of political, religious and business leaders. The Gandhis have been crisscrossing the state since their arrival from Bombay last August.

Confrontation Mississippi was the scene of the some of the most violent confrontations in the fight against segregation in the 1950s and 1960s. Today, black and white Mississippians dine together, ride the bus together, vote together, and go to school and work together.

But they don't socialise together, Arun said in an interview.

"There is no real acceptance, there is just toleration," he said.

Arun plans to live in Mississippi for a year to gather material for his book, which will compare the treatment of blacks in the south with the treatment of the "untouchables" in India's Maharashtra state, his home for the past 30 years.

Although Indian laws have banned the old caste system, which relegated the untouchables to the bottom of the social strata, he said discrimination remains — just as it does for blacks in the United States.

"In both cases we have legally solved the problem, but not socially," Arun said.

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Dowry is a hot topic for discussion

## Marriages very expensive

DOWRY talk has become "paramount" among youths about to marry. Though some tribes in Kuwait have recently limited the amount of dowries, youths still believe marriages to be very expensive and parents of brides frequently requested for "gifts" to compensate for low dowries.

A local daily interviewing several youths on the subject reported that one of those interviewed, Nuha Ibrahim stated that "women were not commodities and prospective grooms should improve their standards of living before proposing marriage. She added that most middle class families in Kuwait do not ask for high dowries and such higher dowries apply only to the more affluent. Thus, she rejected the actions of the tribes towards limiting dowries.

Um Badr said limiting dowries is a good step, however, it becomes difficult to limit dowries when a family has two sisters—if one of them is paid a high dowry, the other sister would be left "let-down" were she to receive a lower dowry. Therefore, the family ends up paying for their daughters' marriage.

Bahija Ibrahim said that indicating limits for dowries could cause future problems between a man and his wife. She pointed out that marriage is intended to last forever and dowries are a matter of trust between the bride's and the groom's family.

### Rejects

Iham Al Masoud rejects limiting dowries because living standards are changing constantly and that a KD5000 dowry is not a problem for most youths as the government provides them with

marriage allowances.

Yousif Swidan stated that limiting dowries is a good initiative and it would have been more practical if it were instituted a long time ago. He added that high dowries usually create problems for grooms, especially at a time when they are in need of funds to get a good footing in life. He said that there were several cases of brides with high dowries ending up selling their gold and jewellery to compensate their husbands in case of loans or debts.

### Statistics

Meanwhile, according to statistics issued by Kuwait's Ministry of Justice for last year, there were 9,591 marriages recorded in Kuwait, with dowries ranging from KD1 to KD15,000. Most dowries were around KD2,000 to 3,000.

## Science club begins registration

KUWAIT Science Club began registration for summer session courses, with many youths accompanied by their parents registering for club membership.

Science club associations will begin holding symposiums and training courses in data-base computer programmes, which will be given by Yusef Hamad Al Khader beginning June 4. The three-week course will be held at the Electronics and Computer Science Amateurs Association building in Hawaii.

### Appointment

UNITED Arab Shipping Company (UASC) board of directors approved the appointment of Saud A. Al Zamil as the general director.

Al Zamil served as deputy general director since 1983.

## US committed to free navigation in Gulf

AMERICAN Ambassador to Bahrain, Sam Zakhem, yesterday affirmed his country's commitment to secure navigation in the international waters of the Gulf against any assault.

The American diplomat, in an interview with a Kuwaiti daily said this protection would not cover all ships and there are certain conditions that should be followed by ships that enjoy American escort.

The conditions include defining the flag of the country that is raised on the vessel, to be sailing in the same warlanes where US naval forces are located and not to be carrying weapons to Iraq or Iran. The ship must be sailing in international waters.

### Suitable

Answering a question on the duration of the American forces' presence in the Gulf, the ambassador said he could not mention a specific date.

He quoted US President Reagan as saying that the Gulf water lanes are vital and

important for America, in its allies and friend's interests.

Responding to a question on US Secretary of State George Shultz's peace initiative on a settlement in the Middle East conflict, Zakhem said his country supports the idea of land for peace based on UN Security Council resolutions 242 and 338.

In this respect, he called on the Arab countries to support Shultz's initiative because, as he claims, it is the most suitable way to restore peace to the Middle East.

He elaborated that there would be no peace in the region without a mutual recognition between the Israelis and Palestinians.

Commenting on the American-Bahraini relations, he described them as very good and based on friendship, co-operation and mutual respect.

He concluded by hailing Kuwait's stand during the hijacking of the Kuwaiti airliner in refusing to succumb to blackmail.

## ROYAL COURT

### Crown Prince audiences

HH the Crown Prince and Premier, Sheikh Soud Al Abdullah Al Sabah received at his office of the Council of Ministers yesterday the Interior Minister, Sheikh Salem Al Sabah, the Social Affairs and Labour Minister, Sheikh Nasser Mohammed Al Ahmed, the State Minister for Cabinet Affairs, Rashed Abdul Aziz Al Rashed, the Justice and Legal Affairs Minister, Dhari Al Othman and the Finance Minister, Jasssem Al Khoraifi.

Sheikh Soud also received Kuwaiti ambassador to Washington Sheikh Nasser Soud Al Sabah, Board Chairman and Director General of the Public Authority for Agricultural Affairs and Fish Resources Sheikh Ibrahim Al Duqai and Kuwaiti consular in Bombay, Faisal Al Issa.

The Crown Prince also received Abdul Mohsen Mohammed Al Mousa, Ibrahim Ali Sulaiman Al Mousa, Hassan Abdullah Al Mousa, Adnan Abdul Nabil, Mohammed Al Mousa, Issa Abdullah Al Mousa and Ali Mousa Mohammed Al Mousa.

## KUWAIT PRESS DIGEST

### Call for joint Arab action

DAILY Al Rai Al Aam yesterday called for a joint Arab work that comes in line with the current developments in the Middle East.

The paper called for "the reconstruction of the Arab house" on correct basis to avoid ruptures.

It noted that "we are in need of relations of the political and military levels that are established on clear basis of moral and national measures."

The paper said when reaching such an advanced stage, understanding is needed to take part in the ongoing political game in the region.

Al Rai Al Aam noted that the recent triumphs in the region including the Iraqi victory in Faw, Arafat's visit to Syria, and the uprising gave hope to the Arab citizen.

It concluded its editorial by noting that such positive developments help activate the Arab collective drive toward adopting more effective and positive policies and stances before the convening of the extraordinary Arab summit due in Algiers on June 7.

## American School students qualify



SIX students from the American School Kuwait have qualified for the John Hopkins University International Talent Search for the Advancement of Academically Talented Youth.

Intellectually gifted students who qualify are eligible to participate in residential summer programmes of fast-paced, advanced course work in humanities, mathematics and sciences, held at select university

centres in the US. Qualifying students must be in the seventh grade and have scored at the 97th percentile on a standardised aptitude or achievement test.

Pictured above (standing left to right) are Omar Siddiqui, Luis Alvarez, Johnny Mourra and (seated left to right) are Lisa Deeb, Xandra Gabucan and Erik Fox.

## Nursing Week ends

CALLS for greater incentives, mainly financial rewards, to lure more Kuwaiti women to pursue nursing as a career and the need to open a males nursing institute were the main themes at the closing function of a week-long Nursing Week in Kuwait last evening.

Participants in the function included senior officials from the Health Ministry, Kuwait Nursing Society, Kuwait Red Crescent Society.

In a speech marking the end of the week held under the theme "for a more secure maternity" president of the Nursing Society Maryam Al Raquom underlined the need to recruit fresh blood into the nursing service as a means of filling the current staff shortage.

She expressed belief that larger number of women would be prepared to join the nursing service if society stopped looking down on nurses.

Dr Shadia Abdul Hakeem on the subject said, Kuwaiti nurses

graduating from Kuwait University nursing section are appointed on Grade 4 of pay scale while non-Kuwaitis are appointed on Grade 5. She added, that Kuwait and Arab nurses are better equipped to deal with patients than non-Arabs as the former are aware of traditions coupled with the quality of level of teaching at nursing schools in Kuwait. She recommended that nurses be given additional payments during their studies and should be encouraged to pursue their higher education. She called on the local media to utilise their "good offices" to highlight the importance and humanitarian role played by nurses and to encourage Kuwaiti girls to join the profession in ever increasing numbers.

A group of retired nurses were awarded certificates of merit during the closing function of the campaign, which comprised lectures and seminars on maternity care in 12 clinics across the country.

## Seminar on Palestinian cause

THE chairman of Kuwaiti Graduates Society, Abdulrahman Al Tawel, in preparation for a seminar on the Palestinian Cause in Forty Years, held a press conference at the society's premises.

Al Tawel said the seminar scheduled for today, May 28 would deal with the current situation of the Palestinian people and future horizons of the Palestinian cause. The seminar, he said, is being organised to focus on the plight of Palestinians and the deprivation of their basic rights by the Zionist entity during the past 40 years and this would be the "central theme". A book fair is set to coincide with the meeting to mark the occasion and would contain about 200 books on the Palestinian Cause in addition to caricatures and posters.

The chairman said the seminar would be attended by peers in Arab affairs, researchers and "think-tank specialists". In concluding, he expressed appreciation to the support extended by Kuwait's Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour, Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (Kfas), Kuwait Airways Corporation (KAC), National Council for Culture Arts and Letters and the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training.

## Safety regulations

KUWAIT'S Ministry of Commerce and Industry has announced that local and foreign manufacturers of household electronic and electrical appliances should adhere to the safety clauses stipulated by the general committee for standardisation and unification. The specifications, which will come into effect as of January 1, 1989 would be binding and strictly enforced.

The ministry called on manufacturers to obtain the approval of the ministry prior to supplying electronic and electrical items to the local market. Such equipment, it added, should conform to the specifications and procedures, copies of which are available at the ministry for ready reference.

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## Call for total disarmament

By J.T. Nguyen

UNITED NATIONS, (UPI): Leaders of developing countries are expected to call for total disarmament during a special session of the UN General Assembly beginning Tuesday, coinciding with the US-Soviet summit in Moscow.

At least 25 heads of state and government will converge on New York to press for an end to the arms race. Many are aware of criticism that they, too, contribute to the annual \$1 trillion arms spendings worldwide.

The UN special session on disarmament, from May 31 to June 25, is the third since world leaders gathered in 1978 to write a much acclaimed document calling for global disarmament.

UN officials hope high-level government officials participating in this session will have a consensus to hammer out a fresh universal agreement whereby nuclear powers can be urged to disarm.

The officials are undeterred by warnings that deep disagreements, which ended in failure, saying it has done more for the poor on a country-to-country basis.

Third World leaders have been urging arms manufacturing countries to transfer money from the arms race to economic development in poor countries, which they say would lead to peace and security. The superpowers believe only a strong defence can maintain peace.

## Impact

UN diplomats said in interviews the Moscow summit will have an impact on the special session debates on nuclear arms in general, chemical weapons, naval and outer space arms races, conventional arms and reductions in military budgets.

UN Undersecretary-General Yasushi Akashi, in charge of disarmament affairs, said there is a "genuine apprehension" among world leaders of the ongoing arms race and the session will make a difference.

"The relations between the two superpowers are much better and more favourable to concrete disarmament agreements," Akashi said. "The debate in the

United Nations is much less ideological now... and I think we are seeing some breakthroughs in the disarmament negotiations."

He said US-Soviet agreement to eliminate intermediate-range nuclear missiles has been the most encouraging sign in disarmament, even though the agreement covers only 5 per cent of the nuclear arsenal. Akashi said the verification procedures that accompany the INF agreement are "unprecedented."

He said bilateral arms settlements between Washington and Moscow have had their origin in UN resolutions, a claim strongly disputed by the two capitals.

Most Western European nations and the United States prefer direct negotiations, be it on humanitarian aid or disarmament, contrary to the United Nations' calls for negotiations under its auspices.

## Boycotted

Washington boycotted last year's UN conference on development, which ended in failure, saying it has done more for the poor on a country-to-country basis.

Third World leaders have been urging arms manufacturing countries to transfer money from the arms race to economic development in poor countries, which they say would lead to peace and security. The superpowers believe only a strong defence can maintain peace.

The United States has not indicated who will lead its delegation, which apparently includes nearly 50 American disarmament experts.

It has issued a statement saying that US participation in the special session will be constructive, but warning that "arms control endeavours are still, in essence, limited to those in the East-West context," with most other nations unwilling to undertake similar efforts in their respective regions.

"The United States will judge the success of the special session by the degree to which its results assist cooperative efforts to strengthen international peace and security," the statement said.

accused Kinnock of "debasing everything I believe in."

She went on to cite her own self-denial by not drawing her full salary as prime minister.

Labour members of Parliament kept up the barrage in prime minister's question time on Thursday, citing Biblical references and accusing Thatcher of a "nauseating pretence at moral concern" while attempting "to rewrite the Bible and the Holy Quran."

She dismissed the taunts as lacking the courtesy and respect that was "a mark of Christian manners."

Thatcher had stepped up the drive to assert the moral supremacy of her government with an address to women members of the ruling Conservative Party on Wednesday.

Denying that her policies were the "creed of greed," she asserted that the traditional values of British life were: "Conservative values of self-reliance, personal responsibility, good neighbourliness and generosity towards others."

The prime minister quoted Methodist church founder John Wesley as saying: "Gain all you can, save all you can, give all you can."

But her views have enraged a number of churchmen as well as opposition politicians, who charge that the government's free market, self-help policies have created a selfish and unhappy society becoming increasingly divided between rich and poor, north and south, young and old.

Last month, Anglican bishop of Durham David Jenkins denounced the government's welfare policies as "wicked."

Several Scottish clerics objected to Thatcher being allowed to speak at their Edinburgh assembly. One objector, the Rev Paria Reamonn, said afterwards: "What this government has been doing to the country and particularly to the poor since 1979 makes the speech a disgraceful travesty of the gospel."

On Tuesday he asked Thatcher in Parliament which Biblical passage had inspired her to cut child benefits and stop free school meals.

"Could it have been Matthew 27:24: 'And Pilate took water and washed his hands'?"

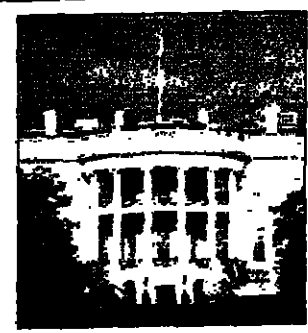
Amid uproar, she furiously

## Reagan-Gorbachev summit

## A celebration of growing rapprochement

## Inside Washington

By Henry Brandon



MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND RONALD REAGAN

SINCE an agreement on a Start treaty is still a long way off, the Reagan-Gorbachev summit will be primarily a celebration of the growing rapprochement between the United States and the Soviet Union, a demonstration that glasnost is making progress and East-West bridges are being built.

Officials on both sides are readying a communiqué to put it all into appropriate words and a few minor agreements to prove that it was not all a public relations exercise.

Two test ban treaties have been gathering dust in Congress, treaties of limited significance, but still documents to impose some restrictions on nuclear testing, not to ban testing altogether.

The Reagan administration is against a ban because, it says, that as long as the West is relying on nuclear weapons to deter war, it has to be able to test. They don't admit it publicly, but the real reason is that a test ban treaty would torpedo the "Star Wars" project, the defence in space against long range nuclear missiles, because one way to have an SDI, its supporters claim, is to create nuclear explosions in space which send out gamma rays to be used to destroy incoming missiles.

## Verification

The officials are, therefore, tinkering with the two limited test ban treaties which Congress has so far refused to ratify because the Soviets have not been forthcoming enough in offering on-the-spot verification. I am told, though, that new ideas are now under consideration that may allow for verification more convincing to the US Congress and thus set the scene for the most significant result of this summit.

If these last minute efforts to improve the verification procedures fail, it is hoped here that there may at least be an agreement for joint experiment to develop better test surveillance methods.

## Meet

No doubt, there will also be "meaningful" dialogue on banning chemical weapons and on how to reduce conventional forces. But there will be no serious negotiations at the summit to try and overcome some of the many obstacles that are blocking a start treaty.

Those negotiations will continue in Geneva. So far there have been no hints from the Soviets that they are preparing some surprise proposal for the heads of state to deal with. Some Russians have hinted at the pos-

sibility of their proposing another summit before President Reagan leaves office, but American officials doubt that there would be time for another spectacular in the closing days of the Reagan administration.

There may be a reference in the communiqué that the two would meet again if progress in the Geneva talks would warrant it. At any rate, the US Senate has already made it clear that it does not want the administration to hurry an agreement as complex and far-reaching as Start.

What matters more than individual, limited agreement is that Reagan and Gorbachev have laid the groundwork for a more functional, more realistic relationship that is anchored between the two extremes of cold war and détente.

There are those in the administration who believe that Reagan has not yet fully grasped the leverage he has and so far failed to assert what is peculiarly in the American interest, such as a Soviet assurance that it will end its material and logistic support to the Nicaraguan government.

Some Americans officials are quietly worried about President Reagan's conviction that what matters are personal relations and that he could persuade Gorbachev to act on his own, outside the Communist Party apparatus. He is not very conversant with the working of the Soviet government and the Communist Party's overarching influence.

As an illustration I was given an account of a scene from the Geneva summit when Reagan and Gorbachev met face-to-face for the first time. After both had begun to lay out their own agendas, President Reagan led off with a passionate presentation of his Strategic Defence Initiative.

## Rebuttal

In response Gorbachev first gave a technical rebuttal and then talked about his vision of a nuclear free world. Finally he leaned back, paused and then said that he disagreed with his SDI concept and that he was dead wrong in promoting it. He paused again, then he added: "But since you feel so strongly about it, I will reconsider my feelings about it."

Gorbachev, though, continues to worry, his American officials believe, because it emphasises American technological superiority and SDI research may carry into realisation, unattainable for the Soviet Union.

But the Soviet leader, who knows more about the American political system than any of his predecessors, also sees the growing opposition to SDI in Con-

gress, the cutting of appropriations for it, the doubts among scientists that it can be turned into an effective weapon and hence a lessening of rigidity among its supporters about the speed with which the programme should proceed and its scope which has already been cut.

Inevitably, as arms control agreements come into play and the number of Soviet missiles is reduced, SDI's function would not need to be as comprehensive as projected at present. An accommodation on SDI should then become easier. It is my understanding that President Reagan will not press this issue in Moscow.

Quite surprising in the evolution of Soviet-American relations are the independent contacts between American and Soviet military at the highest level. There was the visit of Marshal Akromayev, the Soviet Chief of Staff, to the Pentagon during the Washington summit when the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Brent Scowcroft, took his visitor to the inner sanctum, what is called the "war room."

Although the Soviets refused to engage in a discussion of military strategy, Defence Minister General Dimitri Yezhov, when he met more recently with the American Secretary of

## Baghdad inflicts major defeats on Iran

By David Tucker

BAHRAIN, (Reuters): Baghdad has inflicted two major battlefield defeats on Iran in the past few weeks, forcing Iranian forces out of heavily-defended and long occupied positions inside Iraq.

The offensive on Wednesday in which elite Presidential Guards ousted Iranians entrenched south of the port city of Basra would have been unthinkable a year ago.

It followed a convincing victory on Iraq's Faw peninsula in the southern battlefront in the second half of April.

In Wednesday's action Iran said it staged a strategic withdrawal across the Shatt Al-Arab waterway back across the border during nine hours of fighting.

But after 7-1/2 years of fighting Iraq seems to have moulded its Army into a fighting machine capable of sustaining major thrust against determined Iranian opposition.

"I think they will try to push

## Iraq regains territory in two campaigns

Iranian troops out of Iraq back to the international borders," said a Gulf-based Western diplomat.

"But they must do it all along the border, from the north to the south," he said.

## Confusion

Another Western diplomat said he believed Iraq wanted to take advantage of what he termed political confusion in Tehran.

"They were encouraged by their successes in Faw and had to act before the new Iranian government had fully settled in," he said.

Iran held parliamentary elections in mid-May in which the balance of power tilted away from conservatives to radicals.

In February, 1986, Iran was on the offensive and pushed to the outskirts of Basra in a series of fierce engagements which threatened the city itself.

Iranian gunners were so close to the strategic southern city they could see their mortar bombs landing on Iraqi positions across the Shatt Al-Arab waterway.

Defeat for Iraq in the south looked possible and there was genuine concern in Gulf diplomatic circles that Iran might seize Basra and declare an Islamic republic in south Iraq.

That concern became so great that Iraq's allies nervously looked towards Baghdad, and Egypt offered troops should Basra look like falling.

## Stalled

But the Iranian offensive stalled at Iraq's Maginot line-like defences around Basra with Tehran's Revolutionary Guards unable to penetrate the city's perimeter.

Iraq breathed again and pondered the mistakes that allowed the Iranian blitzkrieg to sweep across the Shatt Al-Arab, occupy

the Faw peninsula and wheel north towards Basra.

Defence analysts saw two major shortcomings in the Iraqi defences:

Their over-reliance on heavy weapons, including tanks unsuited to the marshy terrain over which much of the fighting took place.

## Advantage

The poor performance of the Iraqi Air Force which, despite flying thousands of missions, was unable to hit the troops, said a Gulf-based analyst.

"They were able to out-think and out-manoeuvre the Iraqis. Faw was a salutary lesson for Baghdad," he said.

Disaffection with the war at home and a shortage of new recruits to go to the war front meant Iraq had to put off any new offensive from its southern positions during the wet season, early this year.

"Iran had been able to take advantage of soft ground in the wet season which is more suited to the Revolutionary Guards light infantry tactics," said the analyst.

"They would have been unable to defeat Iraq in a tank-to-tank sloggish match and they knew it. They missed their chance this year and they have paid the consequences."

On April 17 Iraq attacked the Iranians in Faw and pushed them back.

The Air Force, he said, knocked out so many Iranian bridges across the strategic waterway that Iraqi ground troops were unable to pursue the

Iranians across the border.

On Wednesday Iraq proved that Faw was no fluke when its Presidential Guards and Third Army Corps overran Iranian positions around Shalamcheh, 25 kms (14 miles) south east of Basra.

The Iraqis went on to recapture territory in the Jassim and Du'elji river areas, Towella Island in the Shatt Al-Arab and the Bubiya and Kut Al-Suwadi border posts.

The Iraqi High Command said five Iranian divisions had been destroyed around Shalamcheh, a series of muddy strips of land used by Iran as a vital supply route across the Shatt.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

1453 — Constantinople, capital of Byzantine empire, is captured by Turks — some historians list date as end of Middle Ages.

1600 — George Rakoczy, prince of Transylvania, dies in battle with Turks.

1692 — British fleet defeats French Navy at La Hogue, ending attempted invasion of England.

1765 — Peter II, grandson of Peter I and son of Alexis, becomes Tsar of Russia.

1807 — Turkey's Sultan Selim III is deposed by Mustapha IV.

1923 — Palestine constitution is suspended by British because Arabs refuse to cooperate.

1943 — Americans defeat Japanese in battle of Attu in Aleutian Islands in World War II.

1947 — Constituent assembly in India outlaws "untouchability."

1953 — Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tensing Norkay of Nepal become first climbers to reach top of Mount Everest, world's highest mountain.

1954 — Thailand complains in United Nations that communists in Indochina threaten her security.

1966 — Buddhist nun burns herself to death outside pagoda in South Vietnamese city of Hue in protest against country's military government.

1972 — US President Richard Nixon and Soviet Communist Party Secretary Leonid I. Brezhnev sign declaration pledging era of peaceful coexistence between United States and Soviet Union.

1978 — China's Foreign Minister Huang Hua charges at United Nations that Soviet Union is the most dangerous source of new world war.

1984 — Sikh terrorists kill seven people in new wave of hit-and-run attacks in India's troubled Punjab state.

1985 — Thirty-nine people are killed and 375 others injured at a Brussels stadium in riots before a European Cup soccer match.

1987 — Sri Lankan government says its troops wrested control of strategic quarter of Jaffna peninsula from Tamil secessionist rebels.

The Christian Science Monitor News Service.



## Iranians fortify after defeat, bodies scattered on battlefield

KUT SWADI, Iraq, May 28, (AP) Iranian troops built new fortifications east of this tiny frontier post after Iraq drove them across the border in a lightning attack east of the port city of Basra.

Now they are inside their borders, said an Iraqi officer who spoke to reporters on a government-organised tour of the war front on Thursday.

The bodies of dozens of Iranian soldiers lay scattered on this dusty plain, along with their light weapons, rocket-propelled grenade launchers and hand grenades.

A field hospital, built in a trench and well protected with concrete walls, was abandoned, its equipment scattered on the floor along with more bodies of Iranian soldiers.

Reporters were shown a small number of Iranian prisoners of war, some obviously in their mid-teens and others in their 60s. Iraqi officers would not let reporters speak to them.

### Retook

From this border post 10 miles (16 kilometres) east of the war-torn southern Iraqi port city of Basra, Iranian troops were visible in the distance as they hastily built new fortifications.

The Iraqi officers said their forces, led by elite presidential guards, routed the Iranians in a five-pronged offensive launched Wednesday morning that lasted just 10 hours.

A senior officer, who like the others spoke on condition his name or rank was not divulged, said Iraqi troops backed by tanks, artillery, jet fighters and helicopter gunships retook 50 square miles (130 square kilometres) of Iraqi territory.

The attack was spearheaded by tanks, part of Iraq's heavily mechanized Armed Forces, facing more lightly armed but sometimes fanatical Iranian revolutionary guards and volunteers.

The officer said those Iranian troops that weren't killed or wounded "fled to the other side of the border."

### Abandoned

This observation post is located where the Iranians pushed their troops into Iraq in their January 1987 offensive that eventually petered out just six miles (10 kilometres) from Basra.

The city, Iraq's second-largest, is also its only seaport. Iranian Army jeeps, trucks and ammunition stocks, some in



Victorious Iraqi soldiers flash the victory sign.



An Iranian post devastated.



Cannon fodder: children as well as the old.

good shape and usable, were abandoned by the Iranians along the tracks they built to approach their main defence points.

Western military analysts estimated that between 35,000 and 40,000 Iraqi troops took part in this week's offensive, but reliable casualty estimates were not yet available.

Reporters counted 400 Iranian prisoners of war being

held here. The analysts said about 25,000 Iranians were believed to have been killed in the 1987 offensive and perhaps 10,000 Iraqis.

Iraq has gone on the offensive recently after more than two years of defensive tactics in the ground war. On April 18 Iraqi forces retook the Faw Peninsula, which had been in Iranian hands since February 1986.

## Sheikh Sabah meetings

KUWAIT'S Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister, Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed, yesterday received the Minister for Labour and Social Affairs, Sheikh Nasser Mohammed Al Ahmed Al Jaber.

Sheikh Nasser, who will head the Kuwaiti delegation to the forthcoming International Labour Conference in Geneva, briefed Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed on matters of national importance.

Sheikh Sabah later received the Minister of Justice and Legal Affairs, Dhari Abdullah Al Othman, who returned from an official visit to Egypt last week.

Sheikh Sabah also received the Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs, Rashid Al Rashid, and the Minister for Electricity and Water, Dr Hmoud Abdullah Al Rqobah.

## UK defence official to visit Kuwait

THE Vice Chief of the UK Defence Staff, General Sir Richard Vincent, arrives in Kuwait today for a three day visit, during which he will call on HH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah, the Minister of Defence Sheikh Nawaf Al Ahmed Al Sabah and senior military officers and officials.

## Zia's message

HH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah Al Sabah has received a message from Pakistan President, General Mohammad Zia-ul-Haq.

## Photographic exhibition on vandalism opens



Sheikh Nasser (right) is given a briefing on the photographs by the president of the photographic committee, Sulima Al Qattan. (Photo by Amer Jedid)

By Lima Al Khalafawi

THE 17th photographic exhibition was opened by the Minister of Labour and Social Affairs Sheikh Nasser Mohammed Al Ahmed yesterday at the Teachers' Union to focus on vandalism of public property.

There were 114 participants displaying 131 obligatory photographs and 44 optional black and white. The range of photographs reflected the damage caused to public property which costs thousand of dinars every year — not to mention defacing the affected and surrounding areas. The exhibition was intended to demonstrate visually the extent of vandalism in the country as seen "through the eyes of both professionals and amateurs" in their various exhibits. Participants were from a broad spectrum of institutions — the Kuwait Fire Department, the Club for the Disabled, Environ-

ment Protection Council, the Teachers' Union, Kuwait News Agency and the Ministry of the Interior.

Twenty-five participants were declared winners of the black and white, coloured, and optional pictures.

The exhibition, which drew large crowds of visitors, is open daily from 5 - 9 pm, and will remain open until 2nd June at the Union's premises situated at Dasma.

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## Hassan Gouled in UAE

ABUDHABI, May 28, (Reuters) President Hassan Gouled of Djibouti arrived in the United Arab Emirates today for a three-day official visit ahead of next month's Arab summit.

UAE President Sheikh Zayed

Bin Sultan Al Nahayan welcomed him and officials said they would discuss Gulf and Arab issues. Djibouti is a member of the 21-nation Arab League, whose leaders will meet in Algiers on June 7.

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# The R,R,R of Yugoslav tourism

By Jadranka Porter

THE violins wailed, the bass throbbed and the accordionist was spinning a song with a distinct Oriental flavour while men wearing forzes and girls sporting shalwar tapped the floor to their heart's delight. This is how the Yugoslavs made their introduction to an audience at the beginning of a three-day Yugoslav festival at the Kuwait Hilton yesterday.

The Oriental feature of the programme is by no means confined to the stage. Situated on the crossroads between the east and west, the southeast European nation has long maintained links with the Middle East, not least through the 500-year Turkish occupation.

Today the Yugoslav Ministry of Tourism gladly exploits the Oriental influence in Yugoslav culture, music, dance and costumes to woo tourists from countries as far apart as Sweden and Kuwait.

However, mosques, bazars, Oriental music and dance are but a few of the many attractions Yugoslavia has in store for its visitors.

Milose Popovich, Yugoslavia's deputy minister of tourism, currently visiting Kuwait, said the country has 1,300 islands along its Adriatic coast, 200 lakes, 2,000 rivers, 200 mineral water springs, 16 national parks, 400 conference centres and 150 amateur folk groups. Seventy per cent of the country is at an altitude higher than 200 metres, while 34 per cent is covered with forests. "Kuwait is blessed with oil wells, Yugoslavia is blessed with water springs," said Popovich.

The abundance of the country's scenic beauty has led the tourist authorities to centre their promotion on three Rs — which stand for refresh, relax and recreation, says Jasna Churkovich, in charge of



Oriental flavour: Yugoslav dancers performing at Hilton

promotion activities.

Popovich believes that friendly and easy-going Yugoslavs will make Arab visitors stay in their country comfortable. In a statement which reflects good salesmanship but also some of the genuine warm-heartedness, Popovich said: "We open our frontiers and hearts to the Kuwaitis."

Popovich and his colleague Churkovich point out that Yugoslavia has a low crime rate and is considered to be one of the safest countries in the world. In addition, it offers a favourable exchange rate for convertible currencies with

prices generally being substantially lower than in other European tourist resorts.

All this was not lost of holiday makers from all over the world. Each year Yugoslavia chalks up one million more tourist arrivals than in the previous year. By the end of this summer, close to 10 million tourists will have visited Yugoslavia, says Popovich.

Travel agents in Kuwait report that interest in Yugoslavia as a tourist destination, is on the increase. Last year more than 3,000 visitors from Kuwait went to

Yugoslavia. Four times as many are expected to visit Yugoslavia this summer.

The Yugoslav festival which ends on Monday features a 28-member "Vukica Mitrovich" folklore troupe and a female singer Dushica Obradovich with a repertoire of old city songs, the Yugoslav equivalent of the French chanson, and original folk numbers. The show is accompanied by an exhibition of handmade head dresses, mainly caps some of them 100 years old, which are an indispensable part of the country's different national costumes. Scores of posters giv-



Jasna Churkovich: promoting culture



Milose Popovich: in search of tourists

ing a glimpse of Yugoslavia's scenic spots are also on display. Yugoslav food specialties, prepared by chefs flown in from Belgrade's Slavija hotel, are served during the show brought to Kuwait by the Yugoslav Ministry of Tourism and Yugoslav Airlines in conjunction with the Kuwait Hilton and several travel agents.

## Saying it with flowers

CARNATIONS — pink, red and white — were in abundance at an informal get-together held on Friday for members of Natya Bharati at the Kuwait Continental Hotel. The dinner-reception was hosted by the Indian Arts Circle (IAC), represented by honorary secretary Vijay Sharma and treasurer S.P. Munshi.

The performers of the Hindi play, Undersecretary, recently staged at the IAC, were in a jubilant mood. For the team, it was an achievement; the fruit of three months hard work after overcoming minor and major hurdles, like facing the wife's wrath. The group are already planning ahead and hope to stick to comedies: "Life is too serious."

Introductions were: "He is my wife's husband." Of course, in the play. By the end of the evening, it was hard to distinguish the real-life couples from the real (stage) — life ones. No one minded.

The atmosphere bubbled with mirth, an impromptu Punjabi folksong by Asha Mankad, flowers, gifts for the one-night stars, smiles and lots of cheers. P.K. Mankad of Oriental Insurance, which sponsored the performance, attended along with the families of all the performers. The nicest gesture on IAC's part was recognition of efforts put in by the backstage crew, mainly women who prompted, cooked, served and silently, some not so quietly, put up with their men's tantrums. FA



Mrs. Shashi Nanda receiving a bouquet from Mrs. Asha Mankad as Vijay Sharma, S.P. Munshi, Prem K. Mankad and Mrs. Raman and children look on.

## Bengalis face dual challenge

HINDI Bengali Cultural Society's bold attempt to put on a Hindi play has proven to be a dual challenge for the team. The play, *Bichhan*, written by Hamidul Mukherjee based on a story by Mahasweta Devi, opens on Thursday for a four-night run, spread over two weeks, at the Mousetrap Theatre.

The play differs from all the productions of the society in the last 10 years. They have produced musicals, comedies, and farces.

This year we wanted to do something we've never done before and selected serious drama," explained director Hamidul Bhaumik. Last year Bhaumik directed *Kanchan* and *Firari*, the play is in Hindi, secondly it is a serious play, thirdly it is to handle it on two weeks," he said.

Hindi is not the native tongue of Bengalis. To add to their

troubles, the script of the play has been written in Bengali. "We are having trouble with diction mainly because the script is in Bengali," said Bhaumik. But they are getting all the help they can from Mrs. Krishna Majumdar, who is helping them with Hindi pronunciation. Not that all Bengalis need assistance, some speak fluent Hindi.

*Bichhan*'s theme revolves around the conflict between the haves and have-nots, a rather familiar theme in Hindi film and theatre circles. In this instance, it revolves around human folly and compromise leading to destruction.

"Life is a compromise, and giving in to evil proves unhealthy," explains Bhaumik.

Bhaumik says he is "more or less confident" they've got their act together and have sorted out staging problems. The action takes place in four locations: an open field, and three



Dipankar, Biren, Santra, Somesh and Arabinda in rehearsal.

homes, one of them is a hut. Due to the absence of a revolving stage, the Bengalis have had to "improvise" by clever light-

ing effects and dividing the stage in four sections.

The society's president Biren Mallick expects an "orderly

audience." They will not allow children under 12 to attend the performances, which are on June 2, 3 and 9 and 10, FA.

## Singers' special

KUWAIT Singers will hold a rather special concert of choir music this week. There are still some tickets left for the concerts at the Universal American School on May 31 and June 1, 8 pm.

Choir directors Ian Robertson and Gerry Wood said this summer's concert is "rather special" because the choir will have an orchestral accompaniment provided by some members of the White House Strings chamber group. There will be two violins, flute, trumpet, drums and piano.

The concert will consist of two parts, one major work, the Coleridge Taylor arrangement of "Hiawatha's Wedding," as well as a variety of songs,

including many folk songs.

Gerry Wood, a professional piano teacher, and Ian Robertson, who is head of the Junior School at KES, have both been involved with choirs for many years. They promise that the concert will be worth attending.

The Kuwait Singers Choir includes about 30 people of different nationalities, including Swedes, Indians, Americans, Britons and Palestinians. New members are always welcome, no experience is necessary and the choir meets twice a week for practice at the Sunshine School in Salwa. Tickets — KD 2. For reservations ring 3940770 ext. 57; 5384873; 5740627 (answering service).

## TELEVISION PROGRAMMES

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- 2.15 Holy Quran
- 2.25 World News via Satellite
- 3.25 Cartoons: Tao Tao
- 4.00 News Summary
- 4.05 Magazine D'Actualite
- 4.20 Beer Al Tayi: ep. 7, starring Hussein Abu Shara, Lina Al Tall, Rabeeh Shibab.
- 5.30 Al Manahil: serial for children
- 6.00 Songs and Music
- 7.05 News Summary
- 7.30 Diwanayat Shuara Al Nabt: poetry session
- 8.15 Souk Al Ghaz: daily Arabic serial. Starring: Mohammad Saeed Shirin, Zuhair Numan.
- 9.00 News in Arabic
- 9.50 Hada Al Rajul (That is the Man). Starring: Noora, Salah Saadani, Khalid Zaki.
- 10.30 Kalimah Fi Sahra: tonight, focus on women, featuring actresses.
- 12.00 News Summary/World News via Satellite



Together We Stand, on KTV2 tonight

2.20 News Summary/Holy Quran/Close down

### KTV 2

- 6.00 Holy Quran
- 6.10 The Care Bears: 'Mayor for a Day'. Cartoons.
- 6.30 Danger Bay: 'Pressure Point'. A bomb is placed in a submarine.

- 7.00 Understanding Islam: weekly talk on Islam
- 7.30 The Wacky World of Sports: a half-hour show of unusual sports
- 8.00 News in English
- 8.40 Flying Doctors: 'Talked the Tours'. A doctor falls in love with a colleague
- 9.30 Together We Stand: the children participate in a school concert. Starring: Elliott Gould, Dee Wallace, Katie O'Neill, Ke Huy Quain, Natasha Robb and Scott Grimes.
- 10.00 Hilary's World of Adventures: focus on adventurous sport.
- 10.30 Best-Seller: 'Woman in White' Part 2.
- 11.30 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite: Holy Quran/Close down

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- 1400 Classical Music
- 1600 Easy Listening
- 1700 Latin American Hour
- 1800 Pop
- 1900 Heter Skelter
- 2130 News
- 2145 Pop
- 2200 Jazz Hour
- 2300 Easy Listening
- 2400 Instrumental Music
- 0200 Closedown

### BBC World Services

- 0000 World News
- 01 News about Britain
- 15 Radio Newsworld
- 30 15th and 22nd Play of the Week: Intimate Exchanges; 29th Great British Concert Halls
- 0100 News Summary (ex 15th and 22nd) followed by Play of the Week (ex 1st Sportsweek)
- 1000 News Summary followed by Short Story
- 15 Classical Record Review

- Two Minds
- 0200 World News
- 09 The Sunday Papers
- 15 Science Fiction Stories
- 30 The Ken Bruce Show
- 0300 World News
- 09 News about Britain
- 15 From Our Own Correspondent
- 30 Jazz Score (ex 22nd and 29th)
- 0400 Newsdesk
- 30 Webster
- 45 Reflections
- 50 Financial News
- 0500 World News
- 09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary
- 30 Big Bands — The Singers (ex 15th Sportsweek)
- 45 Letter from America
- 0600 Newsdesk
- 30 Jazz for the Asking
- 0700 World News
- 09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary
- 30 From Our Own Correspondent
- 45 Book Choice
- 50 Waveguide
- 0800 World News
- 09 Reflections
- 15 The Pleasure of Yours
- 0900 World News
- 09 The Sunday Papers
- 15 Science in Action
- 45 Squaring the Triangle
- 1000 News Summary followed by Short Story
- 15 Classical Record Review

### Urdu

- 1900 Opening
- 1910 Bihcentennial Qaul
- 1916 Programme Preview
- 1920 Songs
- 1935 Press Report
- 1949 Ek Khawaj Ek Geet
- 2000 News
- 2020 Songs
- 2040 Geet Kahani
- 2100 Closedown

## NIGHT CHEMIST

Kuwait  
Al Shaad Pharmacy  
Fahd Al Salem St.  
Ibn Hayan Pharmacy  
Mubarak Al Kabir St.

Hawalli and Nagra  
Al Raed Pharmacy  
Beirut St.

Salmiya and Rumailhiya  
Al Qatami Pharmacy  
Amman St.

Fahheel and Ahmadi  
Al Bastoor Pharmacy  
Qais Al Ghanem Bldg.,  
Dabbous St., Fheel

Farwaniya  
Al Jazira Pharmacy  
Hmoud Sanwan Bldg.,  
Main St.

Jahra  
Al Khalid Pharmacy  
Opp. Cooperative Society

## CINEMA TODAY

Al Andalus  
Last Shark  
Starring: James Francisco,  
Vicki Moro

Al Salmiya  
Flashpoint  
Starring: Kris Kristofferson, Kevin

Al Hamra  
Al Mazakiati (Arabic)  
Starring: Sayyed Ziyani,  
Saeed Saleh, Sabirin

Drive-In  
Al Jad'an Talatha (Arabic)  
Starring: Samir Ghanem,  
Roya Al Kaib

Al Firdous  
Jungle Ki Beti (Hindi)  
Starring: Salma Agha,  
Brando Bakshi

Fahheel Open-Air  
Bundal Baaz (Hindi)

Al Fahheel  
Nae Yathra Dhaniya  
(Malayalam)

Al Jahra  
Sangam (Hindi)

Granada  
Samraat (Hindi)

Sulaibikhat  
Slipper and the Rose

Al Jleeb  
Kalam Mari Katha Mari  
(Malayalam)

Ahmadi Drive-In  
Let's Get Harry

Al Firdous

group will perform at the Kuwait Hilton, Grand Ballroom, on May 28, 29 and 30 at 8 pm. Tickets for the show are available in the hotel lobby.

### ARTS

**Boushahri Gallery**  
Watercolour paintings by Yugoslav artist Jovica Prodancovic is open at the Boushahri Gallery, Salem Al Mubarak St, Salmiya, from 8.30 am to 12.30 pm and 4 to 8.40 pm until June 9.

### SPORTS

**PBAK General Meeting**  
The Philippine Bowlers Association in Kuwait, PBAK, will hold their second general meeting on Friday, June 3, at Mabuhay Restaurant at 5.30 pm. They will discuss the forthcoming men's and women's doubles, membership drive, bowling clinics and other activities. For details contact Sarah Macarimbang on 484-3447.

**Second Annual Rati Race**  
The final captains' meeting of Kuwait's second annual rati race will be held on Tuesday, May 31, 6.30 pm in Messilah Beach Hotel. All team captains must attend. Final date for late entrants.



The Kuwait Singers in rehearsal.

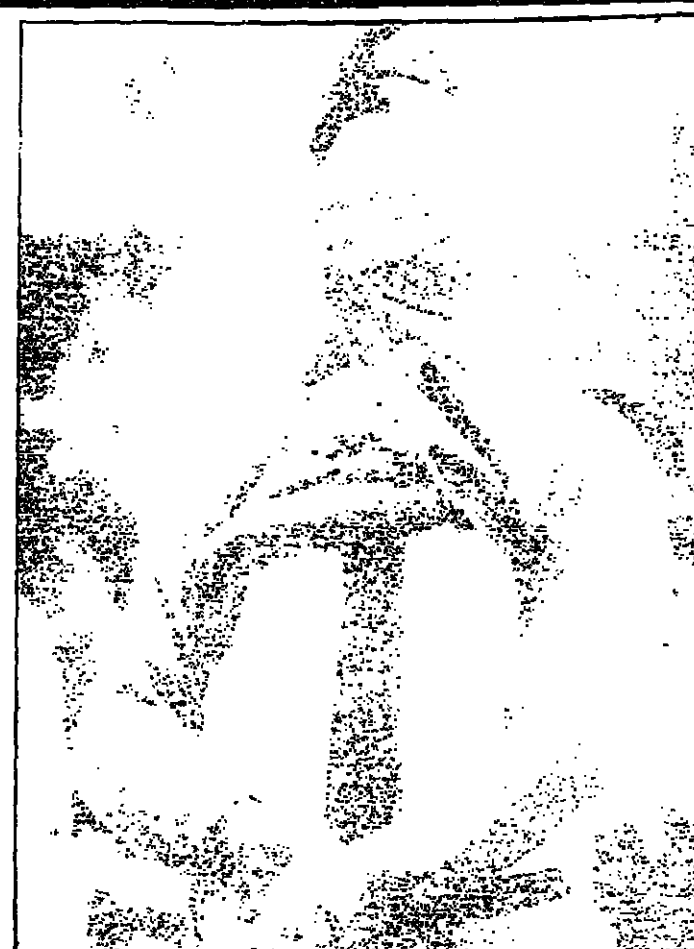




TV-camera crews film the location today at the Preungesheim Inquirer prison in Frankfurt, where Mohammed Ali Hamed, a Lebanese accused of hijacking a US airliner and murdering a passenger, will go on trial in July before a juvenile court. (Reuter wirephoto)



PRIME MINISTER Noboru Takeshita, speaking at a press conference at his official residence in Tokyo yesterday, said he would appeal for co-operative steps in preventing acts of terrorism from sabotaging the Olympic Games in Seoul when he attends a summit of Western industrial nations in Toronto in June. (Reuter wirephoto)



DEMOCRATIC presidential candidate Jesse Jackson gets caught in the hood of an Independence High School shirt he was presented before addressing the students on Thursday in California. (Reuter wirephoto)



CHARLES ALLSOP, Chairman of Christie's in London, displays potentially millions of pounds worth of impressionist paintings on Friday that will be offered for sale in June. (Left to right) Picasso's Vase de Fleurs, Van Gogh's Romans Parisiens (Les Livres Jaunes), Modigliani's Jeanne Hebuterne and (bottom left) Monet's La Maison Bleue, Zaandam. (Reuter wirephoto)



A YUGOSLAV peasant takes his pet bear to the streets to perform to earn extra cash amid economic austerity. (Reuter wirephoto)



PANAMANIAN General Manuel Antonio Noriega, at a speech on Wednesday, stated his belief that the US 'establishment' seeks his death. (Reuter wirephoto)



A WOMAN shields her eyes from the sun as she looks at the names of soldiers at the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington, DC, on Friday. Americans will observe Memorial Day tomorrow, May 30. (Reuter wirephoto)



GABRIELA SABATINI of Argentina returns a ball to Brenda Shultz of the Netherlands yesterday during the match she won 6-4, 6-1 in the French Open tennis championships at Roland Garros Stadium in Paris. (Reuter wirephoto)



A VETERINARY technician takes a look at a rare baby hedgehog, one of a litter of three, born April 13 at Beasleys Unlimited in Pennsylvania. Since birth, this male has doubled in weight to slightly over an ounce. Originally from Africa, hedgehogs live on dog food, dried flies and crickets. (Reuter wirephoto)



MOTHERS walk their children near St Basil's Cathedral yesterday. Moscow has taken on a festive air despite heavy security on the eve of President Reagan's arrival for a summit with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. (Reuter wirephoto)



JOSE RIVERO of Spain, Friday night's leader at the Volvo PGA Championship at Wentworth, England, plays out of a bunker to the 15th green. He finished yesterday at 78, with a total of 143. (Reuter wirephoto)



TURKISH Minister Mesut Yilmaz (right) shakes hands with Greek Foreign Minister Karolos Papoulias, after a meeting with Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu, in Athens on Thursday. (Reuter wirephoto)



FRENCH journalist Alain Guillo (left) released from nine months imprisonment in Afghanistan explains his sufferings at a news conference in New Delhi. The French Ambassador to India, Andre Lewin, looks on.



# BUSINESS & FINANCE

## Statoil uncovers industrial espionage ring

OSLO, May 28. (Reuters): Norway's state oil firm Statoil said today it had uncovered an industrial espionage ring working to sell valuable, secret information in the multinational dollar international oil industry.

Statoil spokesman Haakon Lavik told Reuters that the company had found eight firms, mostly based around London, which had been working to obtain confidential details of projects and sell them to companies bidding for lucrative contract work.

"Most of them are little more than paper companies. We have found that they are working in many large international oil developments," he said. Lavik declined to name the companies.

### Probe

Statoil, Norway's biggest company and guardian of its huge North Sea oil industry, began a probe last year after finding that secret information about development of its Veslefrikk offshore oilfield was being offered to potential contractors.

"We now have reason to believe that this is going on in an organised way internationally and in other projects on the Norwegian continental shelf," Lavik said.

Company sources said a team from Statoil, working with private investigators, had found secret information on budgets, pricing and planning was often obtained by "hacking" into computers and telecommunications systems.

### Findings

Lavik said other oil companies and the police had been informed of the findings, but declined to give further details.

There was no evidence in Statoil's case that confidential information had been sold or that any company employee had been involved in leaking documents. "But there are no guarantees," he said.

## World Bank role to expand in Yugoslavia, says minister

BELGRADE, May 28. (Reuters): The World Bank may play a bigger role in Yugoslavia in the next few years, possibly tripling or quadrupling the money it lends, Assistant Finance Minister Boris Skapin said today.

He said World Bank loans to Yugoslavia may be raised from \$200 million a year now to between \$600 million and \$800 million a year in 1990-1992.

In remarks released by the Tanjug news agency, Skapin spoke of a four-year World Bank programme which he termed "ambitious".

He said it would include several long-term credits for development projects including transport modernisation, water and energy schemes and small-scale export-oriented industries.

The World Bank might also open a Belgrade office, he said.

World Bank officials are now in Yugoslavia for talks on a "structural adjustment loan" to help finance economic reforms.

Last week, Skapin told visiting western journalists that Yugoslavia was seeking a \$300 million loan from the bank to help pay for a programme of ending controls on prices, imports and currency exchange rates.

Yugoslavia is also awaiting an International Monetary Fund (IMF) "standby" credit and fresh loans from commercial banks to underpin the programme.

The World Bank's director for Europe, Eugenio Lara, heads the group negotiating the structural loan. Skapin said World Bank vice-president Wilfried Thalwitz will visit Belgrade next week for further talks on a four-year cooperation plan.

### Debt

"At this stage, when Yugoslavia is trying to consolidate its foreign debt, the World Bank and other international financial institutions are of special interest to it," Skapin said.

The difficulty of keeping up payments on its \$21 billion foreign debt while exports slumped and its inflation rate soared above 150 per cent led Yugoslavia to seek IMF and World Bank help last year.

The new economic reforms aimed at easing the strain.

Skapin said Yugoslavia had borrowed a total of \$4.3 billion from the World Bank in the past, including \$3.7 billion in the critical 1976-1985 period when Yugoslavia piled up the bulk of its hard currency foreign debt.

## Fed tries to tighten credit

# Markets exerting political pull

NEW YORK, May 28. (AP): In the view of a good many Wall Street analysts, rising interest rates and the depressed state of the securities markets are beginning to loom as a factor in this year's election campaign.

Pocketbook issues nearly always carry a lot of weight at the polls. On the surface at least, the picture looks pretty good for incumbents of both parties right now.

After all, the unemployment rate is at a 14-year low. Economic growth has been faster of late than almost anybody expected.

### Mission

The recession that was so widely feared in the aftermath of the stock market crash last year has so far failed to materialise.

But interest rates have been

moving up steadily in recent weeks. The Federal Reserve, most analysts agree, has been taking measured steps to tighten credit in order to ward off a revival of inflation.

And some observers say the Fed faces an especially delicate mission over the next few months.

"In our opinion, in order to deal with the present inflationary threat, the Fed must tighten more forcefully than it has to date," said Paul Getman in a commentary for the Wafa Group, a forecasting firm. "Without such a move, bond prices will continue to deteriorate."

Getman said the Fed is likely to pull in the reins a bit more in June, and to raise its discount rate, which now stands at 6 per cent, during the summer.

"If this tightening is sharp enough," he added, "then the Fed may not need to tighten again before the election."

"But if the Fed is not decisive enough in its actions, then the bond markets will once again force the Fed's hand, and it will not be pretty."

### Aggressive

At the same time, analysts say, Fed policymakers are well aware of the risks of being too aggressive. The last half-point increase in the discount rate, on Sept 4 of last year, may have played a part in (or at least failed to prevent) a crash in stock prices.

Amid all these concerns, stocks struggled to break a three-week losing streak in the past week. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials rose 3.85 to 1,956.44.

The New York Stock

Exchange composite index gained 36 to 143.66; the Nasdaq composite index for the over-the-counter market added .63 to 366.66, and the American Stock Exchange market value index dropped 1.34 to 290.50.

Volume on the Big Board averaged 135.75 million shares a day, against 156.80 million the week before.

### Outlook

Optimists on the market outlook argue that the Fed's challenge will diminish as it becomes apparent that inflation worries are excessive.

"Over the last three years, fears about impending acceleration of consumer prices have repeatedly swept through the bond market," observed economist at Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc. "Yet there is little evidence of any material

acceleration of gains in consumer prices.

"In the past few months, the fear of depression has incredibly transformed itself into the fear of an economic boom," said Shearson's Michael Sherman.

"Neither expectation was or is based in reality."

### Control

In any case, the Fed's success or failure in steering the economy through the election on solid ground may be determined in large measure by events beyond its control.

As Eldon Grimm, an analyst at Birr, Wilson and Co., pointed out, "soybean prices have soared to four year highs due to tight supplies and threats of drought in some agricultural areas."

"The Federal Reserve is powerless to make it rain in the soybean belt."

## Texaco rejects Icahn buyout offer

NEW YORK, May 28. (Reuters): Texaco on Friday rejected a \$60-a-share takeover offer from Carl Icahn, paying the way for a full-scale battle for five seats opening up on the Texaco board next month.

Icahn had said he might drop a fight for the board seats if Texaco, the third largest US oil company, approved or gave serious consideration to his buyout offer.

Texaco had already expressed doubts about the bid made on Wednesday which values the company at \$14.5 billion, calling it illusory and lacking sufficient financial backing.

In a short statement after the Texaco Inc board met on Friday at its White Plains, N.Y., headquarters, the company cited its substantial progress in restructuring and a lack of supporting information provided by Icahn, particularly related to financing. It also asked Icahn to drop his board challenge.

### Declined

Texaco shares declined 75 cents to \$49.25, reaching the day's low after the announcement. Some had hoped Texaco's board might propose share buybacks or other shareholder incentives, and were disappointed that none was announced.

Texaco has estimated the cost of a takeover, with debt included, to be \$20 billion. But Icahn, the largest Texaco shareholder with 14.8 per cent of the stock, said his cost for buying the remaining shares he does not already own would be \$12.4 billion.

## Turkey and Greece agree to expand trade ties

ANKARA, Turkey, May 28. (AP): High-level Turkish and Greek officials concluding three days of meetings on Thursday reached agreement on a detailed plan to boost economic and cultural cooperation between the two countries.

The agreement was announced at a joint news conference held by heads of the delegations, Greek Economy Minister Panayiotis Roumeliotis and Turkish State Minister Adnan Kahveci.

Both ministers said the work of the committee was a positive step towards further dialogue, creating an atmosphere of confidence and displaying the intention of both sides to improve long-strained relations.

### Negotiations

According to the announcement, the two sides decided to initiate negotiations for four different agreements on economic, industrial, technical and scientific cooperation, on prevention of double taxation between the two countries, and on reciprocal promotion and protection of investments.

Technocrats from Greece and Turkey will exchange visits to improve a railway network linking the two countries. It was also decided to upgrade the telecommunications between the two countries.

The two sides decided to conclude a maritime agreement to increase cooperation in shipping. The committee agreed that an exchange of information on tenders and investment projects in both countries was essential for cooperation in civil construction.

A joint tourism commission will convene in Athens in near future to study the prospects of cooperation in tourism field.

The two sides will exchange art exhibitions and organise Turkey-Greek film festivals in the framework of increasing cultural cooperation.

The two sides also decided to cooperate within the framework of Unesco with a view to eliminate the erroneous and biased information which may appear in the school textbooks.

## Threat of inflation worsens

# China's money supply soaring

PEKING, May 28. (Reuters): The new head of China's central bank warned in a speech published today that money supply and loans were growing much too fast, with savings slowing and consumption soaring.

A Western banker said the economy was showing serious signs of overheating and predicted inflation would reach 15-20 per cent in the second quarter.

The People's Daily today quoted Li Guixian, in his first major speech since becoming head of the People's Bank of China in April, as saying that net money supply grew by 4,254 billion yuan (\$1.15 billion) from January 1 to May 23.

This is the first time since 1961, that money supply has grown in the first half of the year, Li said, and was despite the fact that in March the bank said it would issue only 80 per cent as much money this year as in 1987.

Li told a meeting of chiefs of his bank that banks were lending too much and were being repaid too little. "If emergency measures are not taken, the issue of money this year will greatly exceed the target."

Excess issue of money, averaging an annual increase of more than 20 per cent since 1984, has

been a key factor in China's worst inflation since the communist takeover in 1949.

Official figures show retail prices, the nearest China has to an inflation index, rose 11 per cent in the first quarter over the same period last year, with increases of 24.2 per cent for food in major cities.

A Western banker said he thought inflation would reach 15-20 per cent in the second quarter, because of lifting of price controls this year on eggs, vegetables, meat and sugar, which has sent prices of these items up by as much as 60 per cent.

The average Chinese family spends 60 per cent of its income on food.

### Stocks

Li said that because people needed more money to buy goods, bank savings in the first four months grew more slowly than in the same 1987 period, with deposits among rural people falling in April.

He said there was already 1,000 billion yuan (\$270 billion) in the banking system, but too much was tied up in stocks of unsaleable goods and circulation was slow, but at the same time there was a serious and worsen-

ing shortage of credit.

He said the solution was to make better use of the money already in the system, giving loans to efficient firms, clearing inventories and making it more attractive to save money.

The financial statistics for the first four months of the year make grim reading for Li and the rest of the leadership, facing the task of carrying through difficult reforms such as the increases in food prices.

The Peking Financial Times reported on Friday that subsidies Beijing is paying consumers to compensate them for the food price increases would cost an extra 18 billion yuan (\$4.86 billion).

It said wages in the first four months rose 21 per cent over the same period last year, higher than the rate of industrial growth, and spending by government departments rose 40.3 per cent, despite calls from Beijing for them to be cut.

"Add on the fact the central bank is being repaid few of its short-term loans. Its task this year is even more difficult than it was in 1987," the paper commented.

The banker said China's system was plagued by indiscipline,

## Coffee producers and consumers to discuss future of price pact

LONDON, May 28. (AP): Officials from leading coffee-trading nations will consider the future of the price-stabilisation accord for coffee at a four-day London meeting next week, industry sources said yesterday.

The sources said they expected discussion to be fairly low-key at the meeting starting on Tuesday, the first of two planned sessions. However, some controversial proposals for changes in the shape of the present international coffee agreement might be put forward, they added.

The present 74-nation treaty, which expires in September 1989, allows exports to be regulated by quotas to keep the average world price within limits agreed by producing and consuming countries.

### Changes

Many importing countries are insisting on changes if the agreement is to continue beyond then, the sources said.

The United States and most members of the European Economic Community made it clear at a meeting last month of exporters and importers that they will refuse to participate in an unchanged agreement.

They are unhappy that the present quota system has created a two-tier market for coffee and has failed to reflect changes in the pattern of consumption and production in recent years.

Many exporting countries accept that there is room for improvement. "There are problem areas that need to be studied," said Colombian coffee official Nestor Osorio.

### Supplies

The two-tier market has been widely criticised by US and European officials. Their countries buy beans in the regulated market, where quotas limit supplies and keep prices much higher than in the uncontrolled market used by the Soviet Union and other countries outside the international coffee agreement.

The sources said West Germany was expected to put forward proposals next week to end the system.

But delegates said they did not expect any decision to be made at the coming talks, noting that the EEC has no common position on the changes it wants while the United States has not yet decided whether it is prepared to participate in even a modified

agreement.

"I think it will get us all thinking so that real work can be done when we hold our second session," said an EEC official. This is likely to be in July, industry sources said.

A final decision on what should happen to the treaty beyond its 1989 expiry date is expected to be taken this September at a full meeting of all signatories of the current pact.

Traders said that coffee pact quotas are keeping prices much higher than they otherwise would be in the current oversupplied market, where exportable production is running at record levels thanks to last season's bumper Brazilian harvest.

Exports by the agreement's 50 producers are currently limited to 54.5 million bags in the 1987-88 (October-September) coffee year, compared with estimated consumption in importing member countries of 58 million bags.

If the average world market price — currently \$1.16 a pound — drops to 1.15 or below, a further 1.5 million bags will be automatically topped off the quota. One bag equals 60 kilos, or 132 pounds.

## Bank arranges syndicated loan



Picture shows representatives at the signing ceremony

THE Commercial Bank of Kuwait, S.A.K. lead managed a syndicated pre-export financing of \$20 million to Pamubank T.A.S., Istanbul.

The signing ceremony at Hiliv Hotel in Istanbul on May 11 was undertaken on behalf of Commercial Bank of Kuwait by Richard K.O. Carey, General

Manager and Philippe Thomas, Manager, Financial Institutions of the International Division.

Pamubank were represented by Mehmet Emin Karamehmet, Chairman and Bulent Senver, General Manager. Arab Bank-Ing Corporation (ABC), Kuwait Foreign Trading, Contracting & Investment Company (KFT-

CIC), Al Saudi Banque, Bankers Trust Company, Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, Banque Comptable Geneva and Commonwealth Bank of Australia are the other participants of the facility.

Senior representatives of other local and foreign financial institutions were also present.

## World Business Summary

## Experts see improved US trade deficit

HONOLULU, May 28. (Reuters): The dollar will gain against the mark but fall against the yen, while the US trade deficit will improve markedly by the end of 1988, according to 1,300 currency dealers polled during their annual convention here. Fifty per cent of those questioned at the Association Cambiste Internationale saw the dollar gaining as much as 6 per cent against the mark this year, a trend they expected to continue into mid-year 1989. But 52 per cent expected the dollar to lose further ground against the yen by mid-year 1988, while 57 per cent saw the trend continuing through the second quarter of 1989, according to the poll results, announced yesterday.

The dollar ended the week in New York at 1.7170 marks and 124.90 Japanese yen. The survey, carried out by Forex USA, a private association of foreign exchange and money dealers, also painted a positive picture of the US balance of payments, with 51 per cent of the respondents predicting that the US trade deficit will fall to \$130 billion by December 1988. In 1987 the US posted a \$159 billion trade deficit. Seventy-seven per cent of the dealers felt the US trade shortfall would dip below \$130 billion by June 1989, while 47 per cent saw the trade balance dropping under \$110 billion or lower. On bond yields, 68 per cent expected the 30-year treasury bond yields to be above 9 per cent by December 1988. Fifty-three per cent expected long bonds to be over 9 per cent by June 1989.

## Norway likely to sell stakes in North Sea oil

OSLO, May 28. (Reuters): Norway, Western Europe's biggest oil producer after Britain, is considering selling major government stakes in its North Sea oil fields to international firms, government sources said on Thursday. The uncertain outlook for world crude prices and a growing recognition of foreign interest in developments on Norway's continental shelf have prompted the move. Oil Ministry sources told Reuters that no decisions had yet been taken, but that large oil and gas fields like Troll, Sleipner, Gullfaks, Oseberg and Snorre would be considered. "There has been increased interest in Norway's continental shelf," one source said. "There are many people in the ministry who feel it is time Norway looked more to the outside world." With a number of fields due to come on stream in the next few years, Norway will overtake Britain as Western Europe's biggest crude producer by 1993. Norway is currently pumping oil record levels of above one million barrels per day (bpd).

Norway's minority Labour government has kept up a long tradition of large government holdings in oil fields, managed for successive administrations by state oil firm Statoil. But weaker oil prices in the last two years have struck at the economy, which takes more than one third of total export earnings from oil and gas, and caused some nervousness in government circles over investments in new fields.

## US oil prices steady ahead of Opec meeting

NEW YORK, May 28. (Reuters): US oil prices ended yesterday eight cents higher than a week ago and were likely to remain firm ahead of the June 8 meeting of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries. But analysts say they are unlikely to top the \$18 a barrel level ahead of the Opec deliberations. The US benchmark grade of crude oil, West Texas Intermediate, ended the week at \$17.43 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, down 11 cents on the day. "Oil prices will be relatively firm next week as rhetoric from Opec will likely be encouraging ahead of the meeting," said Andy Lebow, an oil analyst at E.D. and F. Man International Inc. Traders said the Opec meeting and lack of trading interest ahead of the three-day Memorial Day weekend kept oil prices in a narrow range through most of the week. Opec's biannual ministerial session is to decide prices and production levels for the second half of 1988. "The oil market should get light support just from a feeling Opec may make some sort of positive proposals," said Stephen Platt, an analyst with Dean Witter Reynolds in Chicago. Already this week Opec ministers from Iran, Venezuela and Ecuador have made statements to the effect that Opec will take action to stabilise oil prices. Iran's oil minister said he believed there was a good chance of finalising cooperation with non-Opec oil producers.

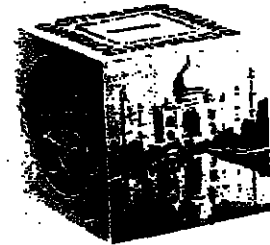
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## Alshall stock price indices

## Sharp increase in Kuwait trade volume

ALSHALL index for Kuwaiti shareholding companies recorded on Wednesday an average of 37.46 points with an increase of 0.57 points over last week's average.

Alshall index for Gulf shareholding companies reached 47.11 points with a decrease of 0.20 points for the same period. The trading volume for Kuwaiti shares reached 59.05 million shares at a daily average of 11.81 million shares a substantial increase of 486 per cent over the previous week daily average of 2.08 million shares. Gulf traded shares reached 33.76 million shares at a daily average of 6.75 million shares with an increase of 10.5 per cent over last week daily average of 6.11 million shares.

The value of Kuwaiti traded shares was KD 9.213 million at a daily average of KD1.843 million, an increase of 218 per cent over last week daily average of KD0.580 million. The value of Gulf traded shares was KD1.108 million at a daily average of KD0.222 million an increase of 44 per cent over last week daily average of KD0.154 million.

The market was active for the week as it showed a substantial increase in the price indices and the trading volume and value for both Kuwaiti and Gulf shares, although it was more favourable for Kuwaiti shares, in general and for specific ones in particular.

For Kuwaiti shares the services sector had the lead, after losing it for some time to the banking sector, at 36.9 per cent of which Kuwaiti Commercial Markets came first at 70 per cent, followed by Public Warehousing Co. at 14 per cent then Kuwait Computer Company at 11 per cent.

The investment sector came second at 23.3 per cent of total trading of which Investment Pearl Kuwait had 76 per cent, followed by IFA 19 per cent then Kuwait Investment Company at 2.5 per cent. The Banking Sector came third, which is unusual, at 18.9 per cent of which Borgan Bank and the Commercial Bank had 27 per cent each and the Gulf Bank 19 per cent.

For Gulf shares the other companies sector continued its lead at 69 per cent of total trading volume with Ras Al-Khaima White Cement having 35 per cent of the Gulf shares total traded shares, Fujairah Cement 33 per cent, Coast Investment and Development Company 17 per cent.

The increase in activity for the week might be related to the announcement made by Kuwait Stock Exchange and the Clearing Company of introducing a new clearing system starting next week to provide more flexibility by expediting trading transactions so they can be completed and cleared in the same day.

The increase in activity might also be related to pushing up the prices of some companies which prices, the traders believe, are low and should be increased due to some factors that might positively affect the performance of those companies such as the case of Kuwait Pharmaceutical, Warehousing Company, Kuwait Commercial Markets and Ras Al-Khaima White Cement.

## Kuwait shareholding companies index

	Wednesday 25/05/1988	Wednesday 18/05/88	Change points
<b>Banking Sector</b>			
Kuwait National Bank	87.25	88.27	-1.01
The Gulf Bank	29.00	29.00	-
The Commercial Bank	21.60	21.08	0.52
Al Ahli Bank	27.87	27.39	0.48
Bank of Kuwait & M. East	26.75	27.19	-0.44
Kuwait R. Estate Bank	31.75	28.97	2.78
Borgan Bank	23.98	23.78	0.20
Kuwait Finance House	62.74	61.23	1.51
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>39.29</b>	<b>39.09</b>	<b>0.20</b>
<b>Investment Sector</b>			
Kuwait Investment Co.	30.85	30.49	0.37
Kuwait Int. Invest. Co.	27.84	27.49	0.34
Inv. Pearl Kuwait	92.06	84.13	7.94
IFA	82.35	76.47	5.88
<b>Commercial Facilities</b>	<b>120.00</b>	<b>120.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>41.95</b>	<b>41.01</b>	<b>0.94</b>

Warba Insurance Co.	79.04	78.18	0.86
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>38.47</b>	<b>38.71</b>	<b>0.76</b>
<b>Real Estate Sector</b>			
Kuwait Real Estate	28.80	28.04	0.76
United Realty	13.18	12.73	0.45
National Real Estate	41.81	40.21	1.59
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>21.94</b>	<b>21.23</b>	<b>0.71</b>

<b>Industrial Sector</b>			
Kuwait Cement Co.	16.22	16.22	-
Refrigeration Indust.	84.69	92.01	-7.32
Gulf Cables	102.84	102.84	-
Kuwait Pharmaceutical	96.89	90.67	6.22
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>34.10</b>	<b>34.27</b>	<b>-0.17</b>

<b>Services Sector</b>			
Kuwait Computer Co.	207.36	203.04	4.32
Kuwait Cinema Co.	9.04	9.04	-
Public Warehousing Co.	90.91	69.70	21.21
Kuwait Comm. Markets Co.	45.94	39.95	5.99
Mobile Telephone Syst.	337.14	352.38	4.76
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>98.92</b>	<b>83.38</b>	<b>5.56</b>

<b>Food Sector</b>			
Livestock Trad. & Transp.	45.97	44.75	1.22
United Fisheries	11.19	10.34	0.85
Kuwait United Poultry	83.61	87.28	-3.67
Kuwait Food Co.	68.97	65.52	3.45
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>42.04</b>	<b>41.10</b>	<b>0.94</b>

Overall index 37.46 36.89 0.57

Gulf shareholding companies index

	Wednesday 25/05/1988	Wednesday 18/05/88	Change points
<b>Financial Companies</b>			
First Gulf Bank	163.16	163.16	-
United Gulf Bank	34.48	34.48	-
Bahrain Internat. Bank	91.03	91.03	-
Bahrain M. East Bank	83.53	79.73	3.80
Gulf Investments Co.	61.03	61.03	-
Coast Inv. & Dev. Co.	76.19	74.29	1.90
Bahrain Kuwait Inv. Gro.	65.71	65.71	-
Arabian Gen. Inv. (Shua)	37.58	36.06	1.52
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>62.23</b>	<b>61.84</b>	<b>0.39</b>
<b>Other Companies</b>			
Gulf Cement (fully paid)	12.83	12.40	0.43
Sharjah Cement	10.50	10.50	-
Fujairah Cement	10.53	10.53	-
Ras Al Khaima W. Cement	25.56	28.33	-2.78
Gulf Medical Projects	18.21	18.21	-
<b>Sector Index</b>	<b>15.42</b>	<b>16.02</b>	<b>-0.60</b>
<b>Overall Index</b>	<b>47.11</b>	<b>46.91</b>	<b>0.20</b>

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## Rate hike speculation helps dollar

NEW YORK, May 28, (Reuters). The dollar ended the week with a burst of strength on Friday but worries about higher inflation and rising interest rates left stocks and bonds lower.

Only a mid-morning injection of money into the banking system by the Federal Reserve eased fears that a hike in the discount rate was imminent, traders said.

Most trading was lacklustre as investors closed their books early to get a head start on the Memorial Day weekend.

The dollar, which has been locked in a low trading range for some weeks, turned in a strong performance, aided by the talk of possible higher interest rates soon.

Resistance

It broke through previous resistance areas and finished at 1.7170 West German marks from 1.7082 on Thursday. It rose to 124.90 Japanese yen from 124.57. The British pound fell to \$1.8562 from \$1.8617, partly reflecting an increase in Britain's trade deficit in April.

"At these interest rates, the dollar already appears to be an attractive investment vehicle," said a corporate foreign exchange dealer. "The yield curve at current levels gives cause to buy the dollar as a high-yield currency in terms of the global scenario."

Nervousness that the Fed was about to raise the discount rate by half a percentage point from the current 6 per cent cooled in late morning when the Fed injected a modest \$1 billion into the banking system.

Traders took it as a sign that the central bank was trying to cool the market's speculation about an impending rise in the discount rate.

Earlier fears of a possible move by the Fed to raise the rate after the markets closed proved unfounded.

However, some economists say the Fed could still act overtly soon to show anti-inflationary colours, even though this is presidential election year.

The discount rate is the interest that the Fed charges commercial banks and is very visible tool used by the central bank to control the pace of economic growth.

Meanwhile, economists said yesterday that Fed sent a small but explicit signal today that no further credit tightening is imminent by injecting a modest portion of reserves to the banking system.

## South Korean economy growing

SEOUL, South Korea, May 28, (AP). The South Korean economy, paced by brisk exports and domestic demand, grew 15.1 per cent during the first quarter of this year, the Bank of Korea said today in a preliminary report.

The figure compares with 15 per cent growth in the same period last year and 12 per cent growth for all of 1987, the Central Bank said.

The government's economic growth target this year is 8 per cent.

Manufacturing set the pace of growing 18.6 per cent, followed by 17.3 per cent in gas and piped water, 13.4 per cent in wholesale, retail and food businesses and 11.8 per cent in the service sector, it said.

Jumped

Exports, the engine of the South Korean economy, jumped to \$12.8 billion during the three-month period, up 27 per cent from the same period last year, the bank said.

Imports rose 28.3 per cent to \$11.4 billion during the period, creating a trade surplus of \$1.4 billion, it added.

## KUWAIT

BANK SECTOR	P.CLS	LT	HIGH	LOW	VOL	TRAD
NATIONAL BANK	0.860	0.870	0.870	0.870	540000	14
GULF BANK	0.355	0.350	0.350	0.350	90000	3
COMMERCIAL BK	0.248	0.250	0.255	0.250	620000	11
ABLI BANK	0.290	0.290	0.300	0.290	160000	8
B.K.H.E.	0.305	0.300	0.300	0.300	10000	1
K.R.E.B.	0.400	0.385	0.385	0.385	10000	1
BURGAN BANK	0.242	0.244	0.244	0.242	180000	7
K.F.HOUSE	0.415	0.415	0.415	0.415	140000	6





Traitors of the old school: Anthony Blunt (left) and Kim Philby

## By Carlton Stuart

IT had looked like being an uneventful day for pleasure-loving Old Etonian, Guy Francis de Morny Burgess. He had just taken a leisurely breakfast in his West London apartment when a telephone call came that was to change his life.

The voice at the end of the line told Burgess: "There's no time to lose. They're closing in on Donald Maclean. His interrogation is set for three days time."

That call had come from fellow homosexual and university contemporary, Anthony Blunt. And the interrogation he spoke of was to signal the end of Maclean's career as head of the American Department of the British Foreign Office.

Guy Burgess, Donald Maclean and Anthony Blunt were not the only ones to be seriously worried about the events of May 1951. Harold Adrian Russell (Kim) Philby, the Westminster School educated liaison officer for the British Secret Intelligence Services, SIS, and the CIA, was also interested in what happened. For it promised to be the most dramatic spy drama since World War Two.

The four men were around the same age, all were members of the British upper middle class and they were all products of public schools and universities.

They were to become known as the "famous four" and "the old school tie traitors." They

were communists whose allegiance to the Soviet cause stretched back to their undergraduate days... and they were to be at the centre of one of the biggest ever spy scandals.

Guy Burgess's career as a diplomat was at a serious crisis in any case. At the age of 40, he had been sent home in disgrace from his job at the British Embassy in Washington after serious complaints about his drunkenness and succession of homosexual affairs.

But until Anthony Blunt delivered his bombshell, Burgess had appeared remarkably relaxed. That morning he had lounged in bed, with a cup of tea made by his male dancer lover and looked forward to his meeting with Bernard Miller, a young American he had met while returning to Britain on the Queen Mary.

Burgess had booked a two-bed room in the SS Falaise, sailing from Southampton at midnight, on May 25, 1951, for St. Malo where they would meet. After that, their plans had been vague — they might make for Paris or go on to Italy.

At their hotel rendezvous, Miller found a badly agitated Guy Burgess who told him that a friend was in trouble and that the trip might have to be called off. Burgess then contacted Maclean by telephone. The sequence of events that followed could have come from any spy book.

Burgess then hired a white Austin 70 from a West End garage, collected some clothes

and stuffed £300 into his black Foreign Office briefcase and drove straight to Donald Maclean's home near London.

There, Maclean introduced Burgess as an official colleague named Roger Styles so as not to arouse his wife's suspicions. The two men took a stroll in the garden after dinner then Maclean told his wife: "Mr Styles and I have to keep a pressing engagement. But I don't expect to be back very late. I'll take an overnight bag just in case."

Somewhere in the narrow country lanes leading to Southampton, Burgess came to a fateful decision. He reasoned that with Maclean fleeing to Russia his own role would be blown and without further thought, joined Maclean on board the Falaise.

## Evidence

The news of Maclean and Burgess's defection threw Kim Philby at his British Embassy post in Washington, into panic. He recalled how on Burgess's last night before his expulsion they had dined in a small and intimate Chinese restaurant. They had gone over their plan step by step. Burgess was to meet his Soviet contact on arrival in London. Then he was to arrange to see Maclean at his office and finalise plans for his defection.

Now that Burgess had flown as well, it would not take long for the British security authorities to spot an obvious link in the chain.

# Treason in high places

Guy Burgess, Anthony Blunt, Donald Maclean and Kim Philby — who died recently — had good educations, wealth and promising careers in Britain's secret service. Yet they chose to betray their country... and sparked off one of the most dramatic spy dramas since World War Two.

As for Donald Maclean, the evidence against him had been mounting steadily for months. It had begun with the defection to the West of Major-General Walter Krivitsky, head of Soviet Intelligence in Western Europe. He had told his interrogators that in the mid-1930s Russia had recruited a young man of good Scottish family into the Foreign Office and that he was working without payment. Maclean's name had figured on the list of suspects but there had been insufficient evidence to take further action.

Maclean had been posted with his wife, Melinda to Washington as a First Secretary. At 31, he was a Foreign Office high flier, and the rewards came fast — notably the job of British Secretary to the Combined Policy Committee on Atomic Affairs. The information the job brought with it was colossal. Information that was passed on to the Russians.

In 1949, Maclean leaked the signing to the Western defensive alliance — the North Atlantic Pact. A promotion to Cairo made Maclean's usefulness even greater and he was still able to give the Soviets full details of British Middle East policy.

But the strain of Maclean's double life soon began to tell. There were episodes of drunken violence and rumours of homosexual affairs. Maclean was sent home to London on sick leave.

The links between Burgess, Philby, Maclean and Blunt had been forged at Cambridge University between 1931 and 1934. All were products of an age and class where it was considered smart to rebel against the Establishment.

Maclean, son of former Cabinet Minister, Sir Donald Maclean, and Burgess, who had reached Cambridge via Dartmouth Royal Naval College and Eton, had never made any secret of their Communist sympathies. The shy, stammering Philby, son of a famous explorer, claimed that at that time he did not altogether subscribe to Communism. Blunt, interested primarily in art, professed to be indifferent to politics.

After graduation, all had gone their separate ways. Burgess eventually found his way into the Foreign Office and was sent as Second Secretary to the British Embassy. He had given his employers an assurance that he had renounced all Communist sympathies. Indeed, he seemed to be far more interested in drinking heavily and attending strings of homosexual parties. But neither M15 or American intelligence paid much attention.

The Russians, meanwhile, had not been idle. In 1955, a Russian intelligence agent, Vladimir Petrov defected to Australia and he revealed what he had been told by Burgess's controller: "The volume of material Burgess supplied was so colossal that the cipher



Fellow spies Guy Burgess (left) and Donald Maclean.

clerk of the Soviet Embassy were at times almost fully employed in enciphering it so that it could be radioed to Moscow."

Even when Burgess was sent home in disgrace from Washington because of his scandalous conduct, he carried on his work for the Russians. But the net fell quickest on Donald Maclean. The earlier leakage of atomic secrets was known. British security became progressively more interested in him throughout the time he was on leave in London for psychiatric treatment.

In Washington, a desperately anxious Kim Philby was busy, too... He had driven to a remote stretch of road bordering the Potomac River and buried his spy tools — camera, tripod and accessories.

Inevitably, the British intelligence services soon became interested in him too. It did not take them long to discover that Philby had got his first job in World War Two intelligence with Burgess's help. He was ordered home to help throw light on the defection of Burgess and Maclean.

Philby was interrogated by M15 officers and although there was no cast-iron evidence that he was "the third man," Philby was persuaded to resign.

Philby, confident he was in the clear, was happy to go on bluffing. At a press conference he declared that he had not even known that Burgess was a Communist. He then went to work as an

SIS agent in the field — his final posting being in Beirut with a cover as foreign correspondent for The Observer newspaper. But what he didn't realise was that he was being deliberately fed inaccurate information.

At the end of 1962, Philby was at last confronted with the SIS in Beirut. He was given the choice: either come home to Britain and face trial or vanish for good behind the Iron Curtain. Philby is thought to have left Beirut aboard a Soviet ship.

On March 3, 1963, the Soviet Union announced that he had been granted political asylum. He later declared: "I was home and dry."

For Burgess and Maclean, the years of exile brought little satisfaction — the Russians regarded them essentially as pensioners and they were given little to do. Burgess was left to get drunk in Moscow bars and pursue his homosexual affairs.

Donald Maclean was to live another 20 years, an honoured Russian citizen.

But one man had so far escaped exposure. For Anthony Frederick Blunt, son of a clergyman, disgrace was a long time coming... Blunt had carved out a reputation as one of the world's experts on the history of modern art and rose to command one of the highest positions in the British Establishment — Surveyor of the King's (from 1952 the Queen's) Pictures.

Yet, on Thursday, Novem-

ber 15, 1979, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher revealed that not only had Blunt been a spy, but had confessed to it 15 years earlier. He had been a Communist for 45 years.

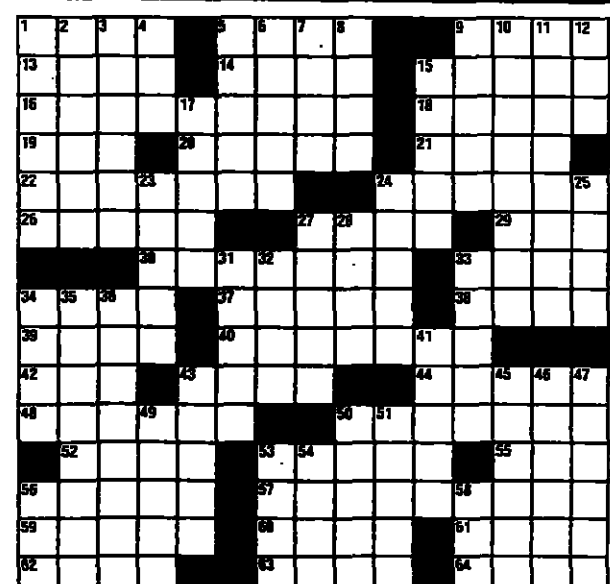
In World War Two, Anthony Blunt had served as a captain. His former academic career had attracted the attention of British intelligence and he was recruited to the secret services. At Trinity College, Cambridge, Blunt had also been a homosexual, was known to have been a friend of Guy Burgess and the author of certain articles in the Left Wing press. But nobody bothered to investigate much into his past. He joined a team organising surveillance of embassies in London which might be hostile to the British war effort.

It was later found that he passed all the information to his Soviet controller.

None of this would have been revealed had it not been for the rumour that Guy Burgess, desperately unhappy in Moscow, had applied to return Britain for a brief visit. Blunt, in a panic, realised that if Burgess was arrested and decided to talk, exposure was inevitable. He called on the security authorities with the intention of confessing. His inquiries realised that offering him immunity was the only way they could get him to talk.

They told him what they knew. Interviewed in his West End office, Blunt declared: "It's all true."

## TODAY'S CROSSWORD



- ACROSS**
- Concerning
  - Kind of bar or bank
  - Bridge
  - O'Casey or Connery
  - Cosmetic ingredient
  - Tar's time off
  - Commedia dell'arte character
  - Bay
  - Type
  - Attractive, to a Scot
  - Anchor
  - Off-balance
  - Swamp
  - Misjudged
  - Playpen
  - "piggies"?
  - Position
  - Ruler of the deeps
  - School near Windsor Castle
  - Lettman or Carson, e.g.
  - Guitars' cousins
  - James, the agent
  - Montreal pro
  - Malicious people
  - Bakery loaf
  - Craeks
  - Lends an ear
  - Nebraska native
  - Metrical foot of two long syllables
  - Algerian port
  - Chekhov
  - Not well
  - Come up
  - First Secretary of Defense
  - Carlo or Cristo
  - Amor's wings
  - Actor
- DOWN**
- Have dreams
  - Painter's undercoat
  - Fuel carrier
  - Toronto's prov.
  - Drawing room
  - In addition: "with"
  - High time
  - Turn down
  - Barcelona title
  - City on San Francisco Bay
  - Dislike
  - Court divider
  - Vehicles for VIPs
  - Bear patiently
  - Slow, to Mehta
  - Cabinet name
  - Dispatch
  - Costumes for
  - Coppelia
  - Change for five
  - Simple's mate
  - Brass
  - Instrument
  - Actor Buddy
  - Johnny-on-the-spot, often
  - Happy tears
  - Hockey
  - Infracture
  - Swiss-French river
  - Saree wearer
  - Improved the text
  - Part of FDR
  - Transaction member
  - Celebrity
  - Sandal
  - 50
  - Openings
  - Yonder
  - Piano theme
  - Alain's pal
  - B'way sign

## ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

PALO COWER DRIP  
ELAN RAISE RATE  
RAY CHARLES ROYER  
UNSEATED OVERTY  
RED POLE  
RASHER CAMERAS  
ARTE BORER LOU  
PEARLBUCK ROGERS  
TAM ARGO ANTE  
SPATULA STRESS  
PETE FEA  
SPARE SENTIENT  
ELTON JOHN ENVER  
NEON ALICE GERE  
DAMS MENES ERIE

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF  
ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q.1—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ QJ10985 ♥ 72 ♦ KJ6 ♣ 93  
The bidding has proceeded:  
North East South West  
1 ♠ 1 ♥ 1 ♠ 3 ♥  
3 ♠ 4 ♥ ?

What action do you take?  
A.—We certainly don't like your hand for defense, and hate that doubleton heart for offensive purposes. Despite the fact that partner opened the bidding, we think this hand belongs to the opponents, so we would bid four spades as a potential sacrifice. At worst we'll be down two; if the gods are kind, we could even make it.

Q.2—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ 10962 ♥ 7 ♦ AKQ63 ♣ Q87  
The bidding has proceeded:  
North East South West  
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass  
1 ♥ Pass ?

What do you bid now?  
A.—There's no question that you want to make a forward-going move. However, you should not be the one to declare no trump for your side—you have no tenaces that need protecting. Despite the shabby quality of the suit, we suggest you bid one spade to see how partner reacts.

Q.3—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ A6 ♥ AQ1072 ♦ AQ983 ♣ 6  
The bidding has proceeded:  
North East South West  
1 ♠ Pass ?

What do you respond?  
A.—Had your two suits each been four cards long, the correct way to show them would be to bid up-the-line, i.e. one diamond. With five-card suits, however, you must bid the higher-ranking suit first, so here the right action is one heart.

Q.4—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ A6 ♥ AQ1072 ♦ AQ983 ♣ 6  
The bidding has proceeded:  
North East South West  
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass  
1 ♠ Pass ?

What do you bid now?  
A.—You have enough strength for a jump shift, but the likely misfit should make you cautious—a jump to three diamonds could propel you beyond three no trump, which might be your only playable spot.

For the moment, a rebid of two diamonds, which is forcing, is adequate—even if you play fourth-suit forcing. Your next action will depend on your methods and partner's next bid.

Q.5—As South, vulnerable, you hold:  
♠ AJ ♥ KQ76 ♦ 93 ♣ AKJ42  
The bidding has proceeded:  
South West North East  
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass  
? Pass ?

What do you bid now?  
A.—You have a borderline hand, because your jack of spades is of doubtful value. The choices are between a slightly conservative three hearts and an aggressive four hearts. At this vulnerability it pays to be bold, so we opt for four hearts.

Q.6—As South, vulnerable, you hold:  
♠ 9643 ♥ 82 ♦ AQJ6 ♣ K102  
The bidding has proceeded:  
West North East South  
1 ♠ Dbl Pass ?

What do you bid now?  
A.—There is a standard way to show a hand of 10-12 points in response to a takeout double—jump in your best suit. So unless you intend postulating new bidding concepts, do your duty and jump to three diamonds.



"How do you want to look? Rare, mean or well-dressed?"



"Nearly all our friends are separated or divorced. Where did we go wrong?"

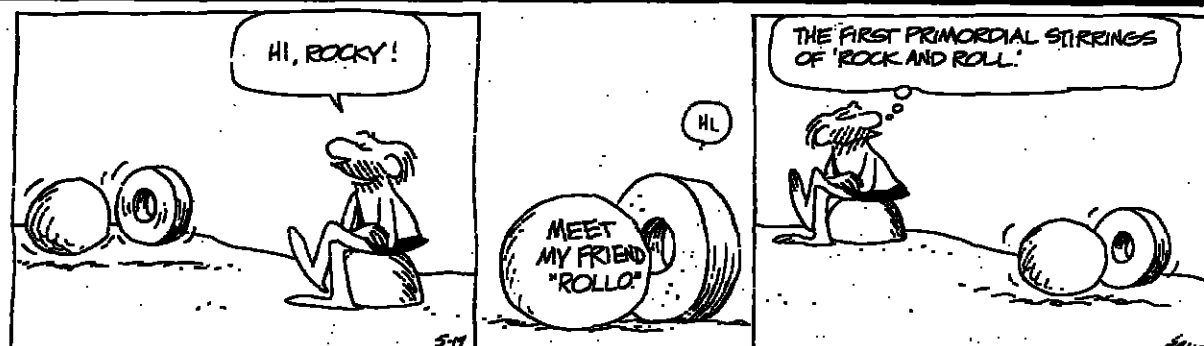
## THE WIZARD OF ID

By Grant Tinker and Johnny Hart



## B.C.

By Johnny Hart



## YOUR STARS



Aries (March 20 - April 18)

This is going to be a most productive day for you. You will be able to make some useful changes. Mars' influence will help you to reduce tension. Be practical.



Taurus (April 19 - May 19)

You should not make an important decision when you are feeling tired. There is no point in trying to use force to get your way just now. Do not underestimate the difficulties. Be tactful.



Gemini (May 20 - June 20)

You will be able to stay on good terms with your colleagues. However, it is up to you to play your part in meeting reasonable people half way. Take good care of your health. Be responsive.



Cancer (June 21 - July 21)

The Moon's less favourable influence will tend to make you a little more nervous. Something that ought to be done now should not be delayed. Take good care when driving. Be less resentful.



Leo (July 22 - Aug. 21)

You will be able to get your way in the things but in others you will not be so successful. Never mind, take the rough with the smooth and it will be for the best. Keep your wits very much about you. Be generous.



Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21)

You will be more able to make the right decision, but careful thought is still needed. Do not leave packing until the last minute. You should make the first move towards a reconciliation. Be more tolerant.



Libra (Sept. 22 - Oct. 22)

You should try to get most of what needs to be done in the morning taking it more easy in the afternoon. Do your best to overcome any feelings of resentment and try to curb your anger. Discuss instead of arguing. Be moderate.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)

Try to get your facts up to date and do not rely on guesswork. You will be able to make good progress with a personal matter. You should seek to achieve a better balance between income and expenditure. Be a little more tactful.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

Today you will be able to overcome a certain degree of animosity reaching a better understanding. Take a good look and do not hesitate to have a good laugh at yourself.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

Your mood will have its ups and downs and you should seek to remain objective. You will have to avoid wasting time if you want to do even most of what you have in mind. Eat and drink only enough to maintain a reasonable weight.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

This is an important day for you and you must avoid getting into other people's way. Take steps to combat even the slightest infection and beware of muscular strain. Show a little more goodwill towards others. Be magnanimous.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 19)

The Stellar influences are mixed and you would do well not to do anything too adventurous just now. You should endeavour to reduce tensions and must also try to avoid conflict.



# Iraq hostages come home

THE three Filipino contract workers held hostage for eight months by the group "Kurdistan" in Iraq arrived last week at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA).

Cesar Icaranom, 28, of Tacloban City; Reynaldo del Rosario, of San Juan, Pasay; and Gildo dela Cruz, of Pangasinan, were abducted by six armed men at their jobsite in Tuskarna in Iraq.

They said they hiked for about 300 kilometres for 15 days before they were able to reach the kidnappers' camp.

They were treated very well by their kidnappers, they said.

Dela Cruz said Kurdistan members kidnapped in exchange for the liberty of some 200 Iranian children being held by the Iraqi government.

They were released through negotiations of Philippine embassy officials, but the children had not been released yet.



# Thirty-minute driver's licence

IT now takes only 30 minutes to renew a driver's licence, according to the Land Transportation Office.

LTO administrator Manuel Sabalza said there are express lanes in all the agencies of the LTO in the country to handle requests for licence renewal.

Sabalza said there was also no need for motorists to return where they had got their licences. "Just go to the agency nearest you," he said.

The fee for a credit-card-type licence, Sabalza said, is P130. It can be used for three years.

Sabalza said the LTO has also placed in its computer file sheets of more than 2.1 million motorists. The computers, currently being handled by Amalgamated Motors Philippines, Inc., will be turned over to the LTO once a million names have already been processed, as stipulated in a contract signed by LTO and Ampri representatives.

# Passport racket exposed

A WELL-ENTRENCHED syndicate working in connivance with Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) officials is controlling the operations of the passport division and depriving the government of millions of pesos in revenue.

This was revealed in a document obtained by reporters following a complaint filed by a liaison officer of a travel agency who was banned from the DFA premises after she stumbled on the operations of the syndicate.

The syndicate works within the consular services office of the DFA where it influences the facilitation of passports, issues forged documents, and provides the unqualified with travel papers, for sums ranging from P800 to P5,000.

The documents reveal that the syndicate easily earns some P250,000 daily.

The syndicate reportedly also has a cache of so-called "blank passports" for emergency cases, some of which have fallen into the hands of the Japanese crime group, the Yakuza, and others traced to foreign intelligence agencies like the Mossad of Israel.

Some of the passports have also been used by the terrorist group Red Army of Japan, prompting Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus to order an investigation of the irregularity.

# Manila 'miracle' rally

VARIOUS cases of healing have been reported from the five-day Manila 'miracle' rally, held at the Quirino Grandstand, where featured speaker, Singaporean Evangelist Rony Tan, has been preaching to 15,000 to 20,000 people.

Over one thousand people made "decisions for Christ" each night and a great number were healed after Evangelist Tan raised a prayer for healing, according to Bishop George F. Castro, honorary chairman of the Crusade's Steering Committee.

# Malacanang orders in-depth investigation

# BBC involvement in ambush-for-a-fee?

By Jerry Esplanada

MALACANANG opened last week its own "in-depth investigation" of reports that some foreign journalists paid communist rebels hefty sums to stage ambushes against government troops.

In Legaspi City, meanwhile, another surrendered woman guerrilla of the New People's Army confirmed allegations by a former comrade that foreign newsmen were with the rebels during several ambushes in Bicol against government troops.

The Malacanang inquiry will be undertaken by Maj. Gen. Jose Magno (ret.), presidential military adviser.

Magno, conferred with President Aquino apparently on the conduct of the investigation, and later told newsmen: "There is need to go deeper into the reports (of ambush-for-a-fee cases) and whatever materials they have at the AFP."

"We will base our recommendations (to the President), like the creation of an inter-agency committee to look into the fact (of the cases), from what we see."

From Malacanang, Magno said, he was proceeding to the Army headquarters in Fort Bonifacio "to find out what actual evidence they have — whether some foreign correspondents were really identified, and if they are really from the British Broadcasting Corp."

Magno said the President has yet to receive a report on the matter from the military.

But he added: "I'm sure the military is gratified with the exposure of some of these ambush-for-a-fee cases that were investigated by a foreign group. The soldiers will also be looking forward to an investigation of this case."

In Legaspi City, surrendered woman guerrilla Amalia Macandog, alias Ka Leah, said in a taped interview aired over a local radio station that before her surrender, foreign journalists would often go with them to film ambushes.

But she stopped short of saying the newsmen paid them to stage the attacks. Macandog said she could recognise the foreign journalists if she saw them again.



The first ambush-for-a-fee case surfaced when another surrendered woman rebel, Gemma Magalon, alias Ka Irene, told the Philippine Inquirer last May 11 that foreign newsmen gave money and explosives to the rebels to stage the Feb 27, 1988, ambush in Guinobatan, Albay, that killed 12 soldiers, one of them 2nd Lt. Felix Brawner III, son of Brig. Gen. Felix Brawner Jr., then chief of the Northern Luzon Command.

During the trial the other day of the captured rebels who participated in the Brawner ambush, Magalon identified from photos presented to her a female foreign journalist who, she said, paid the rebels around P40,000 (four-inch-thick wad of crisp P100 bills) to stage the Brawner ambush.

She said the five foreign journalists — two females and three males — who filmed the attack also gave them guns and land mines.

Brig. Gen. Eduardo Tadiran, Bicol FC chief, said on the same day that Magalon's expose seemed credible but that he could not confirm it.

However, he told a press conference later that "we have evidence seized from the rebels (confirming the presence of foreign journalists) during the (Brawner) ambush."

On May 13, Defence Secretary Fidel V. Ramos fanned the controversy when, in the talk show of

Inquirer columnist Belinda Olivares-Cunanan, he said the government was preparing charges against a foreign television crew which allegedly participated in an ambush staged by communist rebels in Bicol.

Ramos said captured rebel documents revealed a "well-known European broadcasting" agency had paid the NPA

Magalon (below left) points to a female foreigner in a photograph (inset) who she claimed gave money to the rebels for the ambush.



guerrillas to allow its crew to film the ambush.

"Not only did the foreign media support them (rebels), they also contributed money so they will be allowed (to film)," he said.

**Alleged**

The alleged BBC involvement in ambush-for-a-fee cases deepened when Sen. Juan Ponce Enrile, former defence secretary for 17 years, said the military has extensive dossiers on ambushes staged by communist rebels against soldiers which, he said, were "financed by foreign journalists in exchange for media coverage."

One such ambush, Enrile said, was staged by the NPA in Gumaca, Quezon, on June 30, 1986 where 11 Army soldiers were killed. The former defence chief said the BBC crew which filmed the ambush paid the rebels \$20,000 to stage it.

The BBC vehemently denied all the charges and the other day, the military backedtracked on its allegations. Filari said the captured BBC letter "does not directly implicate the television network to charges of paying rebels to stage the ambushes."



# Spanish media vilify Filipinos

By Belinda Olivares-Cunanan

A MOST interesting letter was addressed two months ago to presidential children Noy and Kris Aquino by a 67-year-old British retiree named Paul E. Broughton, who resides in Madrid.

Xeroxed copies of his letter, together with clippings of Spanish newspaper articles on the Filipino maids in Spain have been furnished to local media.

Broughton decried what he felt was a campaign of racist slurs allegedly being waged by some sectors of the Spanish media, specifically Spanish TV and two newspapers, the *Diario ABC* and *El Pais*, against the Filipinos — portraying them as a race of simpletons and morons, and a highly backward and uncivilised people.

The British letter-writer wondered at the motivation of this smear campaign, considering that, as he pointed out, Filipinos are not even the most populous foreign group in Spain.

It is the Moroccans, followed closely by South and Central Americans; yet these groups do not merit the same vilification directed at the Filipinos. He stressed that the treatment of the Filipinos by the Spanish media has outraged other foreign groups in Spain.

The letter-writer, who apparently has a soft spot for Filipinos, emphasised that the smear campaign in the Spanish media, which began about two years ago, centres mostly on the 80,000 *criadas* or maids in Spain, many of whom work without permit papers and under falsified passports.

Broughton enclosed a clipping showing a middle-class Spanish

lady being served at table by a suited Filipino butler and an aproned Filipina maid, as though she were some kind of royalty.

The article traces the arrival of the maids in Spain to 1980, after others of their kind had been exported to the US and Britain in the 1970s.

Interestingly the article juxtaposes photos of the plump plain-looking uniformed *criada* side by side with that of the celebrated Filipino socialite Isabel Preysler, ballerina Julia Iglesias' one-time wife and now the spouse of a ranking Spanish government official.

Broughton cites a Spanish correspondent's description of how all Filipinos keep pigs under their house. Imagine, he tells Kris and Noy, this is the image you people have in Spain, "even if your family owns an hacienda larger than Madrid." How can you recover from such an impression, he asked?

British letter-writer Broughton's letter itself drips somewhat of racism, as he attacks the Spaniards as a "vicious, selfish and shameless people with very low sense of values because they are not Europeans."

He claims they are Moors, "a barbaric and selfish tribe of brigands and cutthroats" whose word cannot be trusted. (Why he has chosen to vilify Spain considering his low opinion of its people baffles this columnist.)

He admonishes Filipinos to purge their sentimental attachments to "Mother Spain" which, he claims, has been nothing but an exploitative coloniser of its Filipino "slaves."

He exhorts Filipinos to return the dastardly treatment of Pinoy in Spain with acts of nasu-

ness toward the Spaniards in this country.

Racism of any kind this column won't buy, for I maintain that there are good and bad people in every country, ours included. But I certainly appreciate this Britisher's concern for the lowly image of Filipinos as projected by Spanish media.

I can only surmise that the vilification stems from the perceived threat posed by the Filipinos there — a predictable offshoot of the ethnocentric instinct of some narrow-minded Spaniards who perhaps do not want their race tainted with "Indio" blood.

We can only appeal to our colleagues in the Spanish media to give the Filipinos a fair shake and be more truthful, fair and just in their coverage. Compared to the horror stories from some of our Pinay contract workers in the Middle East, the Filipinas' treatment at the hands of the Spaniards would perhaps seem even civilised.

But still reports of smear campaigns in the Spanish press hurt, perhaps because of the residue of *sentimiento* we have for Spain which cannot be stifled.

The 80,000 Pinay maids in Spain are only a fraction of the over half a million Filipino workers abroad, who constitute the country's biggest export and dollar-earning industry at the moment, bringing in over \$2 billion yearly into the economy.

Until such time as when the economy recovers and our *pinaynos* do not need to go abroad to earn a living, we just have to grin and bear the stories about the hapless plight of some of them, and express our collective outrage as best as we can.

# Plans for overseas workers lauded

THE Overseas Placement Association of the Philippines (OPAP), through its acting president retired Col. Augusto R. Talico, lauds the steps taken by President Aquino to set up more labour centres and field more labour attaches or welfare officers areas where there are concentrations of Filipino overseas workers.

Col. Talico who was once a

contract worker himself said that it takes courage and great human endurance to work overseas most especially in the Middle East.

The workers suffer from cultural shock, boredom, isolation, homesickness and other problems attributable to the environment.

Exploitation and abuse aggravate the problem. He said

situations like these call for the services of labour attaches or welfare officers in order to protect Filipino workers abroad.

He said that millions of pesos have been accumulated by the government from the contribution of the workers to the Workers' Welfare Fund. Using part of the fund for the purpose of fielding in more welfare officers is not only proper but also just.

# TV station exposes racket

# Aussie Mafia in Manila

By Oscar R. Landicho

SYDNEY — An Australian government television station here has exposed a dangerous Aussie Mafia in the Philippines.

Unofficially called "The Ugly Australians," the television report unmasked Australian criminals and illegal aliens who operate prostitution fronts or rackets in Manila.

TV journalist Peter Couchman of the ABC (Australian Broadcasting Commission) spent three weeks in the Philippines investigating the Australian criminal investigation in Manila.

Some "ugly Australians," according to the report, entered Manila with fake diplomatic passports.

The Australian criminal activities in Manila include prostitution, illegal passport rackets, child sex rackets, drug running

and money-laundering.

Also included in the report are "the Australian yachts that get lucrative offers to carry mysterious cargoes and the Australian pilot who was picked up on a firearms charge and found to have secret surveillance reports on two National Crimes Authority agents supposedly on an undercover mission in Manila."

Immigration and Deportation Commissioner Miriam Defensor Santiago told Couchman that girlie bars are fronts for prostitution rackets, drug-running and money-laundering.

She said an Australian Mafia is flourishing behind these girlie bars.

The special television report by Couchman has become a "national embarrassment" here.

In view of the report, acting principal officer of the Philippine Consulate General Fernando

Santos immediately instructed the Philippine Consulate General staff to closely scrutinise visa applications to prevent the entry of undesirable aliens to Manila.

In an apparent breach of protocol, the Aquino government was not informed of the operation conducted by the Australian National Crimes Authority because officials feared a security by Philippine officials.

Australian Federal Police working in Manila were not also informed about the operation.

Couchman said details of the National Crimes Authority's secret operation were documented in a report made available to the Philippine criminal milieu, even though their presence in Manila was not officially known to the Philippine government.

The documents show NCA officers were under 24-hour surveillance and typewritten, professional intelligence reports were produced with details of the officers' movements and their contacts.

# US visa categories for Filipinos

THE United States Embassy Consular Section in Manila last week announced that immigrant visa priority dates for the month of June will be as follows:

First Preference, unmarried sons and daughters of US citizens: July 1, 1982;

Second Preference, spouses and unmarried sons and daughters of permanent resident aliens: August 22, 1981;

Third Preference, professional workers: May 1, 1971;

Fourth Preference, married sons and daughters of US citizens: August 15, 1980;

Fifth Preference, brothers and sisters of US citizens: November 1, 1976;

And Sixth Preference, skilled and unskilled workers: October 15, 1984;

The Embassy can issue a maximum of 20,000 preference immigrant visas annually, plus an unlimited number of immediate relative visas to the spouses, children and parents of United States citizens. The Embassy issued more than 44,000 immigrant visas in 1987.

# KPK, Arabtel, KRP post easy victories

By Gail Seery

FORMER KPK basketball champions AG&P had a walk-over game in Friday's first round of the Kapilku basketball tournament.

Playing against KPTC they won by staggering 101 points to 51. KPTC were the first team to score, and managed to take and maintain a small lead for the first six minutes.

But then, after Narvaez had been fouled and had scored off two free throws to equalise, AG&P moved consistently ahead, so that within ten minutes they had accumulated a ten point lead without having appeared to put in any outstanding play. The truth was that they outlasted their opponents — and after all the razzmatazz when they arrived on the hard court, it was just as well.

At half-time, the score was 37 to 21 in AG&P's favour. AG&P had many of last season's stronger players, including Fuentes and Castro, and after the second half commenced it was clear that the only fight was over whether or not AF&P passed the 100 point mark.

KPTC couldn't stop them winning, and they couldn't stop them taking the century either. Bacalagan took two free throws to lift the score to 101 in the last

30 seconds of the game. Principal scorers for AG&P were Bacalagan with 26, Narvaez with 20 and Castro with 16. Principal scorer for KPTC was Sacuza with 10.

Al Sebah Chips were also destined to be trounced in their game against Arabtel. This was despite the fact that, judging from the number of knee and thigh bandages sported by the Arabtel squad, they had been having a very intensive pre-match training schedule.

There was a great deal of running up and down and rolling on the floor, but not many accurate shots. Arabtel built up a gradual lead, and the score at half time was 47 points to 35.

**Dull**

It was a dull game to watch, as it lacked the momentum of the other games. Principal scorers for Arabtel were Domingo with 22 and Hoffer with 18. Principal scorers for Al Sebah were Sad with 16 and Dayrit with 16 points.

However, if that game was dull, the next match had all the ingredients of a great game. Kuwait Regency Palace are former champions, but did not compete last year. Two of their players, Toti Vergara and Estonido, came to nothing because the teamwork element was missing.

If they could tighten this up they would be a team to be reckoned with. In the first half Vergara seemed to be backing off, and he was on the court for almost all of this game. He was also directing the other players, and it seems a shame that with so much effort from this talented player KRP couldn't pull further ahead.

There was some very good work on the RIC team also, notably from Diaz and Apolista. In the last two minutes of the first

half, with only two points separating the teams, Vergara was given a hard earned rest. RIC promptly equalised and then Montoya went on to take a series of baskets, gaining a half time score of 42 points to 36 in RIC's favour.

Vergara played a more active part in the rest of the game. It was largely his work that KRP regained the lead within the first three minutes. Once again, RIC refused to let the hotel side move very far away, and ten minutes into the game, Sulayvao took his team two points ahead. Once again Regency fought back, and managed to keep at least a six point difference for the rest of the game.

If only because of the good work put in by Vergara, the KRP deserved their 80-71 win, but this was the only team I saw play on Friday where there was such an enormous gap between the star players and the rest of the team.

KRP is in the same group as last year's champions KPBC, and will have to tighten up their game if they are not to be knocked out in the elimination rounds.

Principal scorers for KRP were Vergara with 25, Bolito with 15 and Estonido with 12. Principal scorers for RIC were Diaz with 20, Dayao with 17 and Gamit with 15.

# Highlights from Palarong Pilipino



Chess (left) and Dama players ponder over their next moves.



A dart player takes aim ... while a ping-pong player displays his back hand.

# PBA basketball

# Beermen clinch 1st finals place

By Chito De La Vega

SAN MIGUEL Beer pulverised crippled Great Taste Instant Milk in record breaking fashion, 173-137, to take the first championship slot in the PBA Open Conference at the ULTRA.

The triumph was the Beermen's 12th in 18 games and sent them to the finals for the second consecutive time after winning the Reinforced Conference last year.

Without an import and a coach, the Milkmen, already out of the running, absorbed the conference's biggest losing margin of 36 points, eclipsing the previous high of 30 (135-105), they themselves set in defeating Shell Helix in the eliminations.

**First Game**  
SAN MIGUEL (173) — Black 45, Almarin 28, Galabon 19, Reyes 17, Dispirado 16, Pustoran 10, Ymeri 10, Cal 9, Calma 8, Graves 2, Teng 0.  
GREAT TASTE (137)  
— Caprio 22, Cesar 19, Cristobal 19, Tansil 18, Cudde 16, Jarameda 14, Calatun 13, Pores 10, Co 6, Ramos 0, Robles 0.  
Quarters: 34-25, 81-59, 125-87 173-137.  
Reis C. Ocampo Jr., A. Barriosano, R. Hines.

Other scoring records set by San Miguel were highest half-time team output, 81; the highest third quarter score, 125; and the highest final score. With both teams engaging in a shootout, their combined score of 310 shattered the previous mark of 277.

In the other game, Purefoods beat Alaska Milk, 125-118, to assure itself of a shot at the other finals seat.

With the victory, the Hotdogs need only to defeat Ginebra San Miguel this Sunday to gain entry into the finals against San Miguel in a best-of-seven series starting next week.

If Purefoods loses to Ginebra on Sunday, the two teams will play again in a knockout match for the remaining finals berth.

**Team standings**

Team	W	L
San Miguel	12	6
Purefoods	11	6
Ginebra	10	7
Alaska	8	11
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## ATHLETICS OVERCOME RED SOX

## Twins score 6th straight win

NEW YORK, May 28. (AP) — Two pitchers known for their success in the Metrodome — Minnesota's Frank Viola and Detroit's Jack Morris — duelled last night.

Viola struggled and won. Morris unravelled and lost.

Kent Hrbek and Randy Bush homered, leading Viola and the Minnesota Twins over the Tigers 7-1 for the sixth consecutive victory.

Viola, 8-1, won his eight consecutive game this season and his 14th straight decision at the Metrodome in 19 starts since last May 22. He gave up one run on eight hits in seven innings and struck out eight.

"It was a struggle," Viola said. "My arm was never catching up with my body. But I made the pitches when I had to, and the guys behind me made all the plays."

Morris, 4-6, lasted only 5 2-3 innings. He had won his previous eight regular-season decisions at

the Metrodome, although he lost game 2 of last season's playoffs in Minnesota.

**Yankees 5, Mariners 1**  
Jack Clark hit two sacrifice

flies and Tommy John pitched five-hit ball for six innings as the New York Yankees beat the Seattle Mariners 5-1 for their sixth straight victory.

John, 3-1, walked one and struck out three before being replaced by Cecilio Guante, who got his fourth save. Scott Bankhead, 0-2, took the loss.

**Athletics 3, Red Sox 2**  
Jose Canseco hit his 12th home run of the season and Mike Gallego hit his first to help the Oakland Athletics beat the Boston Red Sox 3-2.

Curt Young, 4-2, allowed one run and seven hits in five-plus

innings for the victory. He was followed by three relievers, with Dennis Eckersley going the final two innings for his 15th save.

**Angels 4, Orioles 2**  
Tony Armas' two-run single

broke a fifth-inning tie and the California Angels beat the Baltimore Orioles 4-2 and ended a five-game losing streak.

Chuck Finley, 3-6, gave up six hits in 7 2-3 innings. He became the first California starter to win since May 9. Bryan Harvey finished for his third save.

**Indians 6, Brewers 3**  
Joe Carter hit a solo home run and sacrifice fly as the Cleveland Indians beat the Milwaukee Brewers 6-3.

Scott Bailes, 4-4, gave up six hits in eight-plus innings and Doug Jones got his 10th save. Mike Birkbeck, 2-4, took the loss.

**Blue Jays 4, White Sox 3**  
Pinch hitter Juan Beniquez and Nelson Liriano hit run-scoring singles in the ninth inning rallying the Toronto Blue Jays over the Chicago White Sox 4-3.

Duane Ward, 1-0, went 2 2-3 innings for the victory. The White Sox lost for the 10th time in 11 games. Toronto has won

two of its last six.

**Reds 5, Pirates 3**  
Jeff Treadway hit run-scoring doubles in the second and sixth innings, helping Cincinnati overcome the loss of pitcher Danny Jackson, who pulled a hamstring while running out a bunt after pitching four scoreless innings.

**Rangers 3, Royals 2**  
Jose Guzman pitched a seven-hitter and the Texas Rangers beat Kansas City 3-2, the Royals' sixth straight loss.

Results	
American League	
Cleveland	6 Milwaukee 3
Toronto	4 Chicago 3
Minnesota	7 Detroit 1
Texas	3 Kansas City 2
New York	5 Seattle 1
Oakland	3 Boston 2
California	4 Baltimore 2
National League	
Chicago	3 Houston 2
Cincinnati	5 Pittsburgh 3
San Diego	2 New York 0
Philadelphia	5 San Francisco 2
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The Hatid Ligaya squad which won its opening game.

## Hatid Ligaya rout Kabayan

HATID LIGAYA-Abughoish Int'l took the honours on the opening day of the Palarong Pilipino Bowling '88 at the 300 Club on Thursday.

The Cargomen put on a superb team performance to thrash Kabayan Restaurant 4-0 and move into the top spot with a better average than the other two teams who won their games by a similar score.

## Hooked

Team captain Manny Inserto was the top scorer for the Cargomen with 541 pinfalls while his deputy Willy Saby got 532. The other scorers for the Cargomen were Rudy Zablan with 473, Roger Sabado 333, Carl Baginda 310, Ojie Olor 154 and Dodie Basista 141.

The High Game was taken by Joel Laron of Al Nakest with a score of 224, which was also the top score in the 200 Club. Laron was followed by team-mate Mads Garcia with 221. Arthur Reyes, with his full right hooked ball, romped away with the honours in the men's High Series with a total of 580 and High

Average of 193.3. Joel Laron was second best with a total of 560 and average of 186.6.

The most exciting match of the day was between Kay & Associates Inc. and Alghanim Freight. The match was quite close until the end with Kay finally winning 2.5-1.5.

In the other men's matches Mobil Oil beat Kuwait Regency Palace 4-0.

Al Nakest overcame Kuwait Airways 3-1; Atlas International Corp. Crushed Public Ports Authority (Shuaiba) 4-0 and Oriental Trading were awarded a bye in the first round.

In the women's division, Mabuhay Restaurant took the top spot after a 4-0 victory over Crown Trading Est. a newcomer in the League. The Mabuhay team was based on Grace Pagindian — team captain, Cora Paras — vice-captain, Bojo Hamdan, Cecil Contreras, Chary Nepomuceno, Jo Reyes, Eva Sabay, Malou Tadena and Marilyn Tecuala.

In another game, Oriental Trading put on an excellent show in their 3-1 win over Alghanim

Freight. Tonette Anes — team captain, Lynne Reyes — vice-captain, Julie Sayed, Baby Militante, Glo Estandarte, Vangie Simoy, Amy Abdon and Arlene Bonacillo made up the Oriental squad.

The High Game was taken by Nitz Alines of Alghanim Freight with a score of 190 followed by Bojo Hamdan and Glo Estandarte with 184 each.

Bojo Hamdan took the honours in both the High Series and High Average with scores of 463 and 154.3 respectively. Lilia Ganancial of Alghanim Freight was second with 462 and 154.

On Thursday, at 6.00 pm Hatid Ligaya meet Al Nakest and Atlas Int'l Corp. take on Kuwait Airways.

On Friday, at 1.00 pm, Kabayan Restaurant play Public Ports Authority, Kay face Oriental and Alghanim Freight meet Kuwait Regency Palace.

In the women's division, Crown Trading take on Alghanim Freight and Mabuhay Restaurant play Oriental Trading. These matches start at 8.30 am.

## Gardner chases first GP victory

WORLD motorcycle champion Wayne Gardner goes into the German Grand Prix today hoping that the problems that have plagued him so far this season are now cleared up and that he can clinch his first victory of the year.

The Rothmans Honda star, lying 15 points behind current leader Eddie Lawson, has had to be content with second place in a number of outings this year due to brake problems with his 500 cc racer and an injured ankle.

Extensive modifications have been made to his Rothmans Honda NS500, including a new chassis, and Gardner said: "I am now much more optimistic about my chances of defending the world title."

## Passed

In Imola last week, the 29-year-old Australian again finished second to America's Lawson on a Yamaha, losing by a margin of 15 seconds after running off the track onto the grass. "I don't know if I could have passed Eddie but when I got on the grass I dragged my injured foot on the ground and it was all over. Eddie got away and I had no chance of catching him."

In the chase for the 250cc world title, France's Rothmans Honda rider Dominique Sarron hopes to follow up on his victory at Imola last weekend. In the Italian race, Sarron led from start to finish, setting a new lap record and holding off current leader Sito Pons of Spain on a Campsa Honda.

Sarron said: "It was a good race. In the early stages I did not push too hard and I waited until the bike was lighter. With seven laps to go, I made a big effort to break the slipstream and it worked."

## Mavericks beat Lakers to trim lead

DALLAS, Texas, May 28. (Reuters) Mark Aguirre and Roy Tarpley teamed up for 44 points to lead the Dallas Mavericks to a 106-94 victory over the Los Angeles Lakers in the Western Conference finals of the National Basketball Association yesterday.

The Lakers now lead the best-of-seven game Western Conference finals two games to one, with game four set for Dallas tomorrow.

## Grab

Aguirre pumped in 23 points and Tarpley contributed 21 and 19 rebounds. Orlando Blackman chipped in with another 20.

James Worthy was the top scorer with 19 points for Los Angeles. Magic Johnson had only 14 points for the Lakers who were looking to grab a commanding lead, but instead lost to the Mavericks for the second time in eight games this year.

The Lakers led 76-75 after three periods, but Dallas, on a basket by Aguirre, went ahead 85-83 and never looked back.

## Coaching classes

COACHING classes for potential football referees will start from Friday, June 3. Anyone interested in qualifying as a referee should contact A.E. D'Souza, Tel. 2404631/2; or A.J. Fernandes, Tel. 2445729/2431674 or 4738352 (residence) or any member of the Indian Football Referees Association at the Sour ground on Friday.

## Langer sets pace in PGA golf

WENTWORTH, England, May 28. (Reuters) Defending champion Bernhard Langer of West Germany, showing the same scant regard for Wentworth that he displayed a year ago, set a daunting target early in the second round of the British PGA Golf Championship today.

Langer again dismantled the feared 6,945-yard west course with a six-under-par 66 and after his 67 yesterday he is within sight of his record 18-under-par 270

total that earned him the title last year.

The West German led by three strokes from Wayne Riley of Australia, who added a 69 to his opening 67.

But his main rivals had not begun their rounds, though with the testing wind springing up late in early afternoon, the likes of Seve Ballesteros and Ian Woosnam faced a difficult pursuit.

The joint overnight leaders, Jose Rivero of Spain and Briton

Andrew Oldcorn, were fading. Rivero, after his opening, 65, soared to a 78 while Oldcorn was struggling to match par late in his round.

Langer, who won the European Matchplay title early this month, has not had a bogey in two rounds. Five of his six birdies today came with good putts of between 12 and 20 feet, the sixth resulted from a pitch shot to three feet at the 16th hole.

## US dockworkers greet Kiwis' Cup challenger

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 28. (Reuters) "Kiwi Mischief," the big racing sloop New Zealand hopes will take the America's Cup from the San Diego Yacht Club, was greeted yesterday by US dockworkers cheering on the New Zealanders.

As the monohull, mast and keel were being unloaded, a group of nearby American dockworkers shook their fists and shouted: "Hey Kiwis, kill Conner," a reference to Dennis Conner who is scheduled to lead the American defence of the Cup.

"We just want to race him and beat him, not kill him," a New Zealand publicist, Graeme Colman, shouted back.

## Lost

Conner beat Australia's Kookaburra III four races to none last year to win back the Cup that he had lost in 1983.

But New Zealand's Michael Fay, who challenged San Diego through the Mercury Bay Boating Club, has refused to race his 90-foot load waterline boat against San Diego's much smaller catamaran, which Fay says is an unfair matchup for his yacht.

Lawyers for Fay were in a New York State Court on Wednesday asking for a ruling barring the much smaller and generally much faster catamaran.

## Kasparov wins Dutch event

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, May 28. (AP) World champion Gary Kasparov of the Soviet Union defeated countryman Anatoli Karpov yesterday to secure first place in the final standings of the European Options Exchange Tournament one round before the end of the four-player chess spectacular.

The victory boosted the Kasparov's score to 8 1-2 points for an

unbeaten record for six victories and five draws from the eleven rounds played so far in the Dutch event. It put him out of reach of Karpov, who tallied only 5 1-2 points for two wins, seven draws and two losses.

Kasparov took Karpov's world title in two gruelling matches in 1985 and 1986. He defeated him in yet another title bout in Seville, Spain, last year.

## Rugby Test

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand, May 28. (Reuters) New Zealand demolished Wales 52-3 today in the first Rugby Union Test of the eight-match Welsh tour.

New Zealand, who led 24-0 at halftime, were in a class of their own, running in 10 tries, many with stunning ease, and converting six of them. Mark Ring scored a penalty for Wales.

## Senna fastest in Grand Prix practice

MEXICO CITY, May 28. (Reuters) Brazilian Ayrton Senna notched the fastest lap time in the first qualifying practice yesterday for tomorrow's Mexican Grand Prix, clocking in one minute 17.468 seconds at the Rodriguez Brothers track.

Senna knocked more than a second off last year's pole position timing.

Claiming second provisional pole position was his McLaren teammate and current world championship leader Alain Prost. The Frenchman's fastest lap was one minute 18.097 seconds, confirming their position as joint favourites.

Three races into the season, Prost has already scored victories in the Brazilian and Mon-

aco Grands Prix and Senna won at San Marino.

Neither reported major problems on the recently-resurfaced 4.421-km circuit although Prost said his car did not handle as well in the afternoon's qualifier as it did in the free morning session.

## Positions

His crew was planning some chassis changes for the second qualifying session today.

Turbo-charged cars of McLaren, Ferrari, Lotus and Arrows would have taken the top nine positions except for Italian Alessandro Nannini, who handled his normally-aspirated Benetton well to come in sixth with one minute 20.740.

The race is expected to be

dominated by the turbo-charged cars, which lose less power at Mexico City's 7,000-foot altitude than the normally-aspirated engines.

"Basically I'm happy with the car and the engine though I feel there is more to come," he said.

"The handling was good in the fast corners and that's where I was gaining on the other normally-aspirated cars."

Third in the timings was Austria's Gerhard Berger, the 1986 winner here. He spun off the track at one point and damaged his suspension but got out of his car at the end of the practice saying he could have gone faster if he had not run out of fuel trying to make a fast final lap. Behind him was Italy's M. Alboreto in a

Ferrari.

World champion Nelson Piquet, hoping to win back ground in the title table from the McLaren duo, was fifth in the timings with one minute 20.380. He reported problems with his chassis which let him down at the fast corners.

Last year's winner Nigel Mansell has an afternoon as gloomy as the Mexico City sky.

"I think it would be true to say that this was one of the worst practice sessions that Williams has had in recent years. I had serious handling problems over the bumps," Mansell said.

The Briton ended 16th in the timings, with teammate Ricardo Patrese of Italy two behind.

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

## England win

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, May 28. (Reuters): England beat Switzerland 1-0 (half-time 0-0) in a soccer friendly today. Scorer: Gary Lineker (59th min).

## IOC chief

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, May 28. (Reuters): Juan Antonio Samaranch, president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), sent wishes today to President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev for a successful fourth summit.

## Cup winners

LONDON, May 28. (Reuters): Nine Wimbledon players who bared their bottoms to the crowd during a testimonial match two days after their FA Cup final triumph over Liverpool were charged yesterday by the English Football Association (FA) with bringing the game into disrepute.

## Hampshire triumph

WORCESTER, England, May 28. (Reuters): South African-born batsman Robin Smith gave a reminder of his potential with a match-winning 87 not out yesterday that carried Hampshire into the Benson and Hedges Cup semifinals.

## Duchess' father

LONDON, May 28. (AP): Maj. Ronald Ferguson, the Duchess of York's father, narrowly escaped an attempt to oust him from polo's ruling body over newspaper allegations that he frequented prostitutes at a London massage parlour, the polo organization said today.

**Bridge**  
RESULTS of Sheraton Bridge Club's marathon bridge held on Friday.  
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3. Chibbi & Bookaris  
4. Kerkji & Drexler

## WILANDER HOLDS ON TO BEAT ZIVOJINOVIC

## Evert limps out of French Open

PARIS, May 28. (AP): Chris Evert, playing despite an injured right heel, lost today to 16-year-old Arantxa Sanchez of Spain 6-3, 7-6 in a third-round match at the French Open.

Evert mounted a magnificent rally when she trailed 5-1 in the second set, saving two match points when winning five straight games to go up 6-5. But then Sanchez broke serve to force a tiebreak, which she won 7-4 when Evert slammed a two-handed backhand into the net.

Following Evert and Sanchez onto court No. 1 were Americans John McEnroe and Michael Chang, at 29 and 16 the oldest and youngest men in the field. This time the result was different, an easy 6-0, 6-3, 6-2 victory for McEnroe.

Men's No. 3 seed Mats Wilander barely escaped elimination, coming back after trailing 5-2 in the fifth set to beat Slobodan

Zivojinovic of Yugoslavia 6-2, 6-7, 3-6, 6-3, 7-5.

The top-seeded woman, Steffi Graf, won in straight sets for the fourth straight time, taking just 44 minutes to beat Nathalie Tauziat of France 6-1, 6-3 and advance to the quarterfinals. Ivan Lendl, the No. 1 man, downed Thierry Tulasne of France 6-3, 7-6, 6-2 on centre court.

**Hobbled**  
In a match suspended by rain, Andre Agassi of the United States defeated Andre Vysand of the Soviet Union 7-5, 6-3, 6-2. Agassi next plays Magnus Gustafsson of Sweden in the fourth round.

Evert, a seven-time winner of the French title, has been hobbled for weeks by a bone spur in her heel that forced her to default in the Italian Open earlier this month. She decided she was fit to play only hours before today's match — which had been postponed from yesterday when Evert had medical tests on her foot.

Evert, 33, appeared to be limping at times and seemed to have trouble moving when Sanchez sent her chasing balls from side to side.

But she never gave up, saving two consecutive match points in the seventh game of the second set, first with a lunging save that produced a winner, then with a powerful shot that Sanchez went sprawling on the clay surface trying to reach.

Evert went on to break her opponent in that game, then take the next four games in a row, before Sanchez won the 12th game to enter the deciding tiebreak.

Sanchez, ranked 22nd in the world, advances to play Catherine Tanvier of France in the tournament's fourth round.

In other matches, No. 4 Pat

Cash defeated Mark Woodforde of Australia 4-6, 6-2, 6-1, 6-2, seventh seed Kent Carlsson beat Martin Jaito of Argentina 6-2, 6-3, 6-1, and Andrei Chesnokov, seeded 14th, downed Eduardo Bengochea of Argentina 6-1, 4-6, 6-4.

In today's first match, women's fourth seed Gabriela Sabatini beat Brenda Schultz of the Netherlands 6-4, 6-1 to advance to the quarterfinals.

Schultz, a six-foot-one 17-year-old who has moved up quickly to 49th in world rankings, lost her serve six times, but was able to break Sabatini's three times in the day's opening centre-court match.

Sabatini, 18, has not lost a set in her first four matches in the tournament. In the quarterfinals she will meet Helen Kelesi of Canada, who defeated Nicole Pietrangeli of the Netherlands 6-2, 6-1.

Boris Becker, the fifth seed, won 6-1, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3 over Thomas Muster of Austria, a left-hander who had the West German in trouble by running down almost all of his powerful forehands.

## Slammed

But when leading 3-1 in the fourth set, Muster chased a Becker shot and slammed into a metal advertising sign at court-side, hitting the elbow and forehead of his left arm. Muster returned to play, but did not win another game, as Becker reeled off five in a row to take the match.

Momentum shifted constantly in the Wilander-Zivojinovic match, which also was halted by rain Friday and finally finished today after four hours, 46 minutes of play.

"In a match like this, there's only one point or two that makes the difference," Wilander said.

## Sulayem seeded 18th for Acropolis Rally

ATHENS, Greece, May 28. Twenty-two Fisa-seeded drivers are among the 113 entries for the Acropolis Rally which starts tomorrow. The daunting lineup, drawn from 19 countries, includes no less than four world champions.

Middle East champion Mohammed Bin Sulayem (UAE), who makes his world series debut here in a Marlboro backed Ford Sierra Cosworth, is seeded 18.

"This is without doubt the most competitive rally of my career," mused the 27-year-old from Dubai. "My aim is to secure a respectable finish."

The official Lancia team lineup is headed by 1987 Acropolis winner Markku Alen. Current World Championship leader Mikko Hirvonen and Sweden's Mikael Ericsson will also drive the Lancia Delta HF Integro.

Bin Sulayem and co-driver

Ronan Morgan from Ireland will be the sole crew to compete in the Ford Sierra Cosworth. A similar turbo-charged Ford scored a surprise victory in the recent Tour de Corse and a good result here for the Marlboro Middle East Team may boost further their World Championship points standing.

"I am very happy with the developments made to the car since my last outing in Morocco," explained Arab champion. "We are at a big disadvantage against the four-wheel-drive cars, but may be able to take advantage with durability."

The first leg which starts tomorrow from the Greek capital, features a 4.47 km long super special stage.

"This is a soft start, the next three days feature some very rough stages, some are even too dangerous to walk without breaking your ankle," joked navigator Morgan.

## Hick completes 1,000 runs

WORCESTER, England, May 28. (Reuters): Zimbabwe-born batsman Graeme Hick completed 1,000 first-class runs before the end of May when he reached 155 not out for Worcestershire against West Indies here today.

Hick, who qualifies to play for England in 1991, began the day needing 153 to become the first cricketer to reach the target since New Zealander Glenn Turner in 1973.

Only eight batsmen have scored 1,000 before the end of May, the first being the legendary W.G. Grace in 1895. Australian Sir Don Bradman achieved the feat twice.

## Scotland win

HARARE, May 28. (Reuters): Scotland beat Zimbabwe 34-7 (half-time 15-3) in a rugby union international today.

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# KUWAIT'S 2ND BI-ANNUAL OFFSHORE POWERBOAT RACE

to be held on Friday, June 3rd, 1988.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Boats must be at least 18 ft in length.
- Engines must be outboard. If a single engine boat is used, an additional 10hp engine is advised. A maximum of two engines are allowed.
- Crew must have a minimum of two persons. All must be at least 18 years of age.
- Date June 3, 1988.
- The boat must be registered with the port authority of Kuwait, or if the boat is from outside Kuwait, with the authority for its port of origin.

## Safety Requirements

- All participants must have the following equipment:
- A helmet and protective glasses.
- Lifejackets (inflatable life jackets not permitted).
- A marine compass (advanced electronic navigation equipment is prohibited).
- Anchor suitable for the size of the boat and a 25 metre (minimum) rope.
- At least three red safety flares and a fire extinguisher.
- Boats must be adequately supplied with fuel sufficient to cover the race distance.
- Any battery or fuel tank leakages must be well-checked and repaired before the race.
- Each boat should carry either a telephone or a 2 way radio system.

Failure to comply with the above regulations and safety requirements will result in disqualification. Scrutineering will be held prior to the race, and competitors must display their safety equipment on the deck of the boat.

Bulletins detailing further requirements/information will be issued from time to time.

- Participation is open to all Gulf Citizens and residents who have lived in the Gulf for a minimum of six months.
- Last date for accepting entries is May 30, 1988.

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